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# Annual Report

## Town of **ORANGE** *Massachusetts*



*For Year Ending  
December 31, 1954*



# ANNUAL REPORTS

of

Officers and Committees

of the Town of

## ORANGE

MASSACHUSETTS



For the year ending

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1955







# Town Officers

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## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Carl M. Paoletti	Term expires March 1955
Lee Shipman	Term expires March 1956
Edward F. Haley	Term expires March 1957

## BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Myrtle B. Shipman	Term expires March 1955
Warren R. Johnson	Term expires March 1956
Florence B. Ryan	Term expires March 1957

## TOWN CLERK

Robert H. Anderson	Term expires March 1957
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## TOWN TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

Marshall S. Buell	Term expires March 1955
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## TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Ruth B. Smith

## BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Glenn E. Whitney	Term expires March 1955
Clarence E. Goodnow	Term expires March 1956
Arthur E. Hallberg	Term expires March 1957

## MODERATOR

Delbert A. Witty	Term expires March 1955
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### TOWN COUNSEL

Delbert A. Witty	Term expires March 1955
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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

John P. Rieg	Term expires March 1955
Margaret Magee	Term expires March 1955
Harold R. Mahar	Term expires March 1956
John F. H. Hart	Term expires March 1956
Emma C. Woodrow	Term expires March 1957
Wales E. Willard	Term expires March 1957

### LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Leslie K. Faulkner	Term expires March 1955
Victor L. Ward	Term expires March 1955
Josephine Osgood	Term expires March 1956
Alice K. Robbins	Term expires March 1956
Mabel S. Newcomb	Term expires March 1957
Howard W. Hammond	Term expires March 1957

### BOARD OF HEALTH

Florence B. Ryan	Term expires March 1955
Miles W. Spooner	Term expires March 1956
Harold R. Mahar	Term expires March 1957

### INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Hollis Cleveland

### INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Lewis C. Marble

### MILK INSPECTOR

Hollis Cleveland

## SANITARY AGENT

Hollis Cleveland

## SUPERVISOR OF FLOOD GATES

Albert M. Dexter

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Clifton Dexter	Term expires March 1955
Kenneth Burrill	Term expires March 1955
Frank Depuy	Term expires March 1956
William Otto	Term expires March 1956
Ramuald A. Lariviere	Term expires March 1957
Robert Cullen	Term expires March 1957
Harold Gibbs	Term expires March 1957

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Leslie J. Laughton	Term expires March 1955
Leslie H. Laughton	Term expires March 1956
John W. Blackmer	Term expires March 1957

## WATER COMMISSIONERS

Thomas H. Reynolds	Term expires March 1955
Charles F. O'Lari	Term expires March 1956
Miles Spooner	Term expires March 1957

## TRUSTEES SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' MEMORIAL HALL

Oakley Whitney	Term expires March 1955
George E. Cullen, Sr.	Term expires March 1956
Arthur E. Steinberg	Term expires March 1956
Louis P. Delano	Term expires March 1957
Charles E. Hamilton	Term expires March 1957



## PLANNING BOARD

Warren R. Johnson	Term expires March 1955
Frank T. Waters	Term expires March 1955
Clarence Jardine	Term expires March 1956
Robert Powers	Term expires March 1956
Ralph Spooner	Term expires March 1957
David MacDonald	Term expires March 1957

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Francis Gallagher	Term expires March 1955
Howard A. Burnett	Term expires March 1956
John D. McDonald	Term expires March 1957

## AIRPORT COMMISSIONERS

Lee Shipman	Term expires March 1955
Charles Hamilton	Term expires March 1955
William A. Wessell	Term expires March 1956
Thomas Galvin	Term expires March 1957
Harold R. Blake	Term expires March 1957

## CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Thomas H. Reynolds

## FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Thomas H. Reynolds

## DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

Albert V. Elliott

## DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

Henry A. Gale

CHIEF OF POLICE

Kenneth E. Smith

PERMANENT FULL TIME OFFICERS

Raymond E. Kelly

Harold J. Warner

Carlton W. Spear

Philip Brooks

Granville Wessell, Jr.

DOG OFFICER

Carlton W. Spear

CONSTABLES

Arthur W. Cullen

Term expires March 1955

Alfred L. Baker

Term expires March 1955

Axel P. Peterson

Term expires March 1955

SPECIAL POLICE

Fred O. Rivers

John P. Miller

Clyde Goss

Axel P. Peterson

Maynard Ramsdell

Victor D. Papineau

Perley E. Rivers

Floyd Crowl

Arthur Cullen

Everett Deane

Albert May

Richard Keyes

Norman Day

Warren Stacey

Walter Meuse

Wilfred Riddell

Miles Eastman

Alfred J. Boudreau

KEEPER OF THE LOCK-UP

Kenneth E. Smith

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Walter A. Stone

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Stanley Lyman

**TREE WARDEN**

Clifford P. Welcome

**MOTH AGENT**

Clifford P. Welcome

**PUBLIC WEIGHERS**

Merrill P. Whittier

George Cogswell

Frank Foskett, Jr.

Granville Wessell

Glenn E. Turner

Ada A. Turner

A. K. Turner

Forrest I. Hanson

Walter Plunkett

Sidney Forster

Francis Gallagher

Olin Pierce

Ernest Jennings

Blanche Turner

Robert F. Smith

Fred O. Rivers

Clyde Goss

**SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM**

Thomas H. Reynolds

**CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT**

William R. Priestley

**AIRPORT MANAGER**

Thomas Galvin

**AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO INSPECT BUILDINGS**

Thomas H. Reynolds

**OFFICER OF VETERANS' EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS**

Harry Kidder



BURIAL AGENT

Harry Kidder

VETERANS' AGENT

Harry Kidder

FENCE VIEWERS AND FIELD DRIVERS

Frank S. Foskett, Sr.

Warren R. Johnson

# Selectmen's Report

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20 January 1955

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Orange:

The Selectmen respectfully submit their report for the year 1954 beginning with an account of the action taken on those annual town meeting articles over which the Selectmen were given responsibility. Unless otherwise stated any reference made to an article will mean those articles which were considered at the last annual town meeting.

With reference to Article 16 and the purchase of three trucks for the Highway Department. This was accomplished by a public request for sealed bids and the contract was awarded to the low bidder. The town acquired 2 two-ton Ford trucks and 1 one-half ton Ford truck for \$6350.00.

The drainage and resurfacing project authorized by Article 18 for South Main street was undertaken in conjunction with the Department of Public Works and started in the early fall. Unfortunately the contractor encountered an unforeseen subsurface drainage condition which had to be corrected before the project could be completed. This resulted in delays and additional costs. However, the final coat of top surface will be laid in the spring and we are now certain that the mechanical aspects of this section of road are correct and adequate.

As directed by Article 22 the Selectmen voted to purchase a snow removal machine, namely a SNO-GO Model LTR, for a sum of \$12,250.00. The various machines offered fell into two categories, blower type or belt type. We considered the belt type from the standpoint of using it during the summer months to load sand and road material but ruled out this possibility when we found out that operating a municipal sand bank would cost the town more than what we pay now for sand. Moreover with the advent of pea stone as a top dressing for tar and asphalt the necessity for large quantities of sand is decreasing. The decision to purchase the type machine we did was based on the particular requirements of the town, namely, a fast pick-up capacity, ability to move over the roads at a reasonably fast speed and the cap-

ability of blowing snow off the sides of the roads in rural areas thereby eliminating the expense of cartage.

The miscellaneous electrical equipment offered for sale by Article 23 was publicly advertised but the prices offered were not indicative of the true worth of the materials. Hence the Selectmen refused the bids and elected to store the electrical equipment in the municipal building pending a more favorable offer. In this same vein, the buildings offered for sale by article 26 were not purchased by the buyer who had declared his intention to purchase and therefore are still public property.

The Selectmen authorized the installation of street lights as per Articles 28 and 63 and have made arrangements with the Worcester County Electric Company for the installation of seven more lights throughout the town. This last includes those requested by Article 29.

The action required relative to the acquisition by the town of certain land and streets described by Articles 37-38-41-54 has been accomplished.

The drainage project on West River Street Extension authorized by Article 39 and the sewer installations on Hamilton Street and Hayden Street authorized by Articles 64-65 have been completed.

In compliance with Article 46, in our opinion the condition referred to does not constitute a menace to health or safety and can not therefore be acted upon by this board.

Although the business of the town dump is a Board of Health function this Board met with the Board of Health as directed by Article 47. It is our opinion that the dump operation has greatly improved over the past year in that burning has been kept to an absolute minimum and greater stress has been laid on covering the refuse with sand and other material. Although we realize that the condition is not completely satisfactory we feel that it is improved to a point whereby the additional expense of a complete sanitary land fill is not justified at this time. In this, as in many other phases of town activity, the people must understand that the financial condition of the town demands many compromises.

The electric cooling system for the drinking fountain was not installed because this board could not enter into a satisfactory agreement with the property owner in whose building the cooling system was to be housed. The location of the drinking fountain precludes the installation of the cooling system in another location.



The replacement of Harrington Meadow Bridge commenced early in December and at this writing is very nearly completed. The project was one authorized under Chapter 90 and the cost was divided among the State, County and Town. The Department of Public Works assisted the Town by advertising for bids and exercising technical supervision over construction. To avoid the cost of a temporary bridge the Selectmen routed traffic away from the bridge location by closing the access roads. This caused some inconvenience to area residents especially in the case of Mr. Roy Blackmer who operates the school bus. Therefore, the Selectmen wish to thank all concerned for their cooperation and understanding in this matter.

During mid December the Town suffered a severe loss from fire which destroyed Mann's Block. This loss not only affects the owners of the real and personal property destroyed but will reflect itself in a great decrease in the Town's assessed valuation. Moreover, the expense to the Town to date is something over 1700 dollars and there is yet the problem of paying for the razing of the fire weakened walls to consider. We are sure that the townspeople are thankful for the tremendous job that Chief Reynolds and the Fire Department did in containing the fire to the one block and for the work of the Police, Highway and Civil Defense Departments in traffic control and rubble clearing at that critical time. Moreover one must appreciate the value of the "Mutual Aid" System of fire protection which gave to Orange the support of fire departments from surrounding towns. One of the fire casualties was the town clock which was damaged beyond repair.

During the coming year the people of Orange must make up their minds that economy in town government must be the keynote. Considering general business conditions in the area, the loss of property through destruction by fire and the structure of town government itself, it follows that unless the voters exercise strict control over the town's financial matters the tax burden will reach oppressive proportions. In our opinion the most important single item in the town warrant is that one which considers the budget. For it is with the passage of the budget article that the town's fiscal policy is established. If the voters pass a \$20,000 budget for a department without asking for justification that department can spend the entire \$20,000 and any subsequent attempt for economy is a futile gesture. In the matter of the budget, the voters should not only question those items which have increased over last year but they should also examine each item in the light of possible cut-backs consistent, of course, with the basic operational requirements. We believe that everyone

in Orange realizes that in order for the town to grow it must have a plan for capital improvements. New schools, sewer and water extensions, better roads, improvements to the municipal airport and the like are some of the needs in Orange. But these must be gained on a priority basis with benefit to the greatest number of people being the prime consideration.

In the past special town meetings have been considered an evil to be avoided. It is not the intent of this report to pass judgment on that premise. The feeling of the present board is that a million dollar corporation cannot possibly transact all its business efficiently in one night. Therefore it is both wise and necessary to hold special town meetings from time to time throughout the year as the situation dictates in order to adjust our thinking and make allowances for unforeseen circumstances. But this thought is valid only if the voters realize that efficient government demands the attention of office holder and voter alike.

Elsewhere in this book are the reports of other departments which reflect in part the tremendous amount of work accomplished each year by the Town. Much of this work is done by the elected office holders who receive little or nothing for their efforts. Their faith and zeal are a credit to all of us and they deserve and should receive all the intelligent help and support which we can give them. This applies also to the full time employees of the town. Often overworked but seldom overpaid their contributions in all phases of town activity merits for them every consideration for their personal welfare and well being. Gone are the days when town employees were recruited from the poor farms. Today's scope of activity demands intelligent, efficient and faithful town employees and the town must compete with industry to procure them.

In closing, we wish to thank all departments for their co-operation and commend the Finance Board on a hard job well done.

CARL PAOLETTI  
LEE SHIPMAN  
EDWARD F. HALEY

Board of Selectmen

# Highway Department Report

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The work of this department has been the regular upkeep of our roads, streets and sidewalks which are not included under Chapter 81 or Chapter 90 Maintenance. Projects include the following.

The removal of old macadam sidewalk and replacement with bituminous concrete on Putnam Street from Pleasant Street to Chase Street — a distance of 967 feet. The repair and painting of iron rail fences on High, Howe, Putnam and Fountain Streets.

The installation of about twenty-five no parking signs about town and also curve signs and reflectors at the Mechanic Street curve on East Main Street.

The raising of manhole frames on West Main Street before the finish coat of hot top was put on.

The cutting up and removing of trees and brush from all streets caused by heavy electrical storm at an expense of about \$400.00.

The sweeping and cleaning up of the streets in the business section of the town.

The installation of a drainage system on King Street, namely 1194 feet long with 242 feet of cross drainage plus, 11 catch basins. These catch basins were salvaged from the South Main Street job, thereby saving about \$500.00. The sidewalk part of this job was started and will be finished next year.

The first part of the drainage system from West River Street south to the reservoir on Mattawa Road was installed this year as follows:

40 ft. of 30" dia. metal pipe, 352 ft. of 24" metal pipe, 380 ft. of 21" metal pipe and 258 ft. of 12" metal cross drainage pipe plus 7 catch basin frames and grates. This drainage system is set up for a seven year program and do hope that the people will see their way clear to vote for the continuation each year until finished.



The cold patching and the gravel patching of all streets and roads each year before the start of Chapters 81 and 90 money is allotted.

## BRIDGES

The repairing of the old plank bridges was taken care of as usual.

The installation of a new concrete bridge replacing the old plank bridge (known as the Harrington-Meadow bridge) on the Tully road was started late in the year and will be open for traffic about the second week in January, 1955 and is about 85% completed. This contract was let out to the Mackin Sand and Concrete Products Company of Greenfield, Mass.

## MUNICIPAL BUILDING

The Highway and Sewer Departments have now been located in their new building for a year and do again wish to thank the townspeople for the purchase of this building.

We were able to save \$850.00 over the cost of the expense of occupying the new building from the building we moved out of, besides having room and being more convenient.

## SNOW AND ICE

During the year we plowed 9 storms, a total of 31 inches; 26 inches in January and 5 inches in February.

The years that we have a light snow fall we have very bad icy conditions which is more expensive as we used 1179 tons of sand with 300 lbs. of rock salt to every 5 tons of sand.

We delivered the usual amount of sand around to the houses for private use on sidewalks. The snow fence (namely 6700 ft.) was set out in different sections of the town, also 22 sand boxes were placed in convenient places.

We also keep one runway and the-taxiway at the Orange Airport free from snow and ice.

We were without the services of a snow loader this year but wish to thank the townspeople for voting to purchase a new machine which is now on hand ready to use.

## SEWERS

We installed 6 new house connections this year.

We installed 2 new manhole frames and covers; one at the intersection of Dewey Conrad Avenue and East Myrtle Street, and one on Bangs Avenue.

We located and raised 2 manhole frames and grates; one on Putnam Street and one at the intersection of Adams and East Myrtle Streets.

We flushed the main sewer lines where we have the most trouble.

The installation of a main sewer line on Hamilton Street, a distance of 160 ft., also extending the main sewer line on Hayden Street 368 ft. south.

## CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

The work finished this year under this account is as follows:

Tully Road — a distance of .40 miles, 1659 gals. of Tar T-6 was applied and honed; Tully Road — a distance of 2.1 miles, 6303 gals. of MC-5 Asphalt was applied; Holtshire Road — a distance of .35 miles, 1550 gals. of MC-4 Asphalt was applied; Holtshire Road — a distance of .80 miles 2105 gals. of MC-5 Asphalt was applied. A total of 1659 gals. of Tar and 8958 gals. of Asphalt was applied covering 50,099 sq. yds. of surface.

## CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

### North Orange Road

The North Orange road towards Warwick was continued this year and it consisted of placing 1821 cu. yds. of gravel for the foundation and 486 tons of finish gravel and 2 applications of Tar T-5 covering 3111 sq. yds. of surface using 2350 gals., also 92 ft. of 15" dia. metal pipe and one drop inlet were installed.

## CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

The South Main Street Construction job was started in September 1954 which was let out to the Cali Construction Company of Fitchburg. This consisted of widening, the cutting of trees (15); the resetting of concrete curb; the reconstruction of old drainage; the installation of new system; the excavation of over 3000 cu. yds. of old foundation; and the regravelling. The base or bottom coat of hot top was laid from West River to Gay Street. The conduit pipe was installed at the intersection of East and West River on South Main Street. The final or finish coat of hot top will be laid in the Spring of 1955.

## CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

### Holtshire Road

The Holtshire Road was continued this year and consisted of cutting all trees and brush on shore side of Lake. The Road was relocated to the West, thereby making a better sight view also separating bathing beach from the traveled way. A total of 5301 cu. yds. of rock and gravel fill was used, also 365 tons of finished gravel was placed on road, graded, and 2 coats of tar applied.

The installation of 1200 feet of Flex Ream guide rail with a separate entrance at both ends of the bathing beach.

We expect to finish the North end of this road in year 1955 if the money is appropriated.

## CHAPTER 81

The maintenance and surfacing of all our streets and roads except Chapter 90 Maintenance work is carried on under this account. At the present time the State furnishes about 60% of the total amount spent. The work constitutes the care and surfacing of both gravel and black top streets and roads with a total mileage of 78 miles, of which 46.9 miles are black top and 31.1 miles of gravel or dirt.

The usual dragging and scraping of our gravel roads both in town and the outlying districts. We also cut back the shoulders

3 to 6 ft. on the following: Holtshire Road complete, part of Wheeler Avenue, and part of the Tully Road.

This year the Tar and Asphalt business was divided between the Barrett Co., The Koppers Co. and the Independent Coal Tar Co., using 29,358 gals. of Tar and 13,143 gals. of Asphalt covering the following streets and roads: North Orange .15 miles; East .70 miles; Old State .10 miles; Athol .40 miles; Royalston .25 miles; East River 2.25 miles; Walnut Hill 1.40 miles; Mattawa .40 miles; Ball .15 miles; Prospect .22 miles; North Prospect .10 miles; Mayo .10 miles; High .20 miles; Dexter .15 miles; Lincoln .25 miles; Blodgett .14 miles; Burrill Avenue 30 miles; Pleasant .10 miles; Chase .45 miles; Combs .15 miles; McKenna .05 miles; West Myrtle .55 miles; Gay .20 miles; Clifton .10 miles; Putnam .05 miles; Hayden .05 miles; Fryeville .15 miles; Holtshire .20 miles; a total of 8.17 miles of streets and roads treated with tar or asphalt this year covering 115,522 sq. yds.

The new tar work this year was Summit .05 miles; Marjorie .10 miles; Glenwood .10 miles; Bangs .10 miles; Cherry .05 miles; Dexter Street Ext. .05 miles; a total of .45 miles covering 4866 sq. yds. A pea stone cover was used entirely this year.

The drainage consisted of the cleaning out of all catch basins and drop inlets after each storm. The installation of 33 ft. of 15" dia. metal culvert pipe on the East Road; 33 ft. of 18" dia. metal culvert pipe on Ward's road and 25 ft. of 36" metal culvert pipe on Walnut Hill road.

This year under the heading of permanent work we cut trees, widened, gravelled and tarred 1000 ft. on the East Road, about 200 ft. on Chestnut Hill Road and also removed the bank on North Main Street thereby straightening out the road.

We are trying out the application of calcium chloride on the Eagleville and the Royalston roads.

We gravelled the following roads this year:

472 cu. yds. on Chestnut Hill road; 474 cu. yds. on the East Road and also finish gravel on the following; 319 tons on the East Road; 224 tons on the Holtshire road; 127 tons on Glenwood Avenue; 127 tons on Bangs Avenue; 35 tons on Cherry Street; and 126 tons on Marjorie Street.

The gravel patching on the following:

59 cu. yds. on Chestnut Hill; 23 cu. yds. on West Orange; 84 cu. yds. on Royalston and 24 cu. yds. on Bangs Avenue.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. STONE

Superintendent of Highways and Sewers



# Town Clerk's Report

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## RECORD OF THE VOTES CAST AT THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD ON MARCH 1, 1954

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At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Orange, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, held in the Town Hall on Monday, March 1, 1954, from 8 A.M. until 7:00 P.M.

Polls opened at 8:00 A.M.

Polls closed at 7:00 P.M.

Total number of ballots cast	1487
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### MODERATOR, for one year

Delbert A. Witty	1345	
William Woodrow	1	
R. Anderson	1	
Blank Ballots	140	
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### SELECTMAN, for three years

Edward F. Haley	876	
Harry K. Holden	594	
John O'Lari	1	
Blank Ballots	16	
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### ASSESSOR, for three years

Arthur E. Hallberg	1108	
Langdon S. Moore	334	
Blank Ballots	45	
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**TOWN CLERK, for three years**

Robert H. Anderson	1321	
Carl Paoletti	1	
Blank Ballots	165	
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**CONSTABLES, three for one year**

Alfred L. Baker	1242	
Arthur W. Cullen	1222	
Axel P. Peterson	1258	
Everett Deane	2	
Frank Maguire	1	
Blank Ballots	736	
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**TREE WARDEN, for one year**

Clifford P. Welcome	1319	
Roy French	1	
Blank Ballots	167	
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**BOARD OF HEALTH, for three years**

Harold R. Mahar	1251	
Charles Hamilton	2	
Frank Sauter	1	
Samuel Footnick	1	
Blank Ballots	232	
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**BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE, for three years**

Miriam E. Martin	472	
Florence B. Ryan	991	
Blank Ballots	24	
	<hr/>	1487

**TRUSTEES OF MEMORIAL HALL, two for three years**

Louis P. Delano	1171	
Charles E. Hamilton	403	
Lincoln Peterson	12	
Mary Laughton	6	
Gordon Bundy, Ralph E. Spooner (two each)	4	

Glenn E. Whitney, Roger Moore, Hiram Gibson, Mervyn Simpson, Edward F. Haley, Everett Deane, Isadore Lundgren, Mark Jackson, Leslie Faulkner, Earl Shaw, Carl Peterson (one each)	11	
Blank Ballots	1367	
	<hr/>	2974

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE, two for three years**

Wales E. Willard	1014	
Emma C. Woodrow	898	
Constance L. Clement	272	
Samuel N. Footnick	539	
Blank Ballots	251	
	<hr/>	2974

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES, two for three years**

Mabel S. Newcomb	1154	
Howard W. Hammond	1050	
Charles E. Hamilton	3	
Blank Ballots	767	
	<hr/>	2974

**PLANNING BOARD, two for three years**

David MacDonald	518	
Ralph Spooner	535	
Glenn E. Whitney	76	
Charles E. Hamilton	5	
Walter A. Stone	2	
John Hart, William Kenney, Roy French, Kenneth Burrill, Reno Rossi, Leslie Faulkner, John Blackmer, Edward O'Lari, William Kimball, Clarence Hayden, Harold Duval, Fred Joslin, Armas Mackey (one each)	13	
Blank Ballots	1825	
	<hr/>	2974

**AIRPORT COMMISSIONER, two for three years**

Harold R. Blake	1016	
Thomas F. Galvin	977	
Blank Ballots	981	
	<hr/>	2974

**AIRPORT COMMISSIONER, for two years**

Lewis E. Soule, Sr.	263	
William A. Wessell	968	
Charles E. Hamilton	1	
<b>Blank Ballots</b>	<b>255</b>	
	<hr/>	<b>1487</b>

**AIRPORT COMMISSIONER, for one year**

Lee Shipman	935	
Lewis E. Soule	3	
Glenn E. Whitney, Charles E. Hamilton, Roy French (two each)	6	
Lewis Soule, Jr., Ralph Spooner, Hiram Gibson, Vernon Jackson, Donald Raymond, William Wessell, Erwin Stockwell (one each)	7	
<b>Blank Ballots</b>	<b>536</b>	
	<hr/>	<b>1487</b>

**WATER COMMISSIONER, for three years**

Miles W. Spooner	1279	
Charles E. Hamilton	1	
<b>Blank Ballots</b>	<b>207</b>	
	<hr/>	<b>1487</b>

**CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, for three years**

John W. Blackmer	1317	
<b>Blank Ballots</b>	<b>170</b>	
	<hr/>	<b>1487</b>

**A true record of the ballots cast.**

**Attest:**

**ROBERT H. ANDERSON**

**Town Clerk**



## ACTION TAKEN ON THE ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT

Delbert A. Witty, Moderator

Meeting called to order at 8:00 P.M.

✓ ARTICLE 2. Voted: To accept the printed 1953 Town Report. ✓

ART. 3. No accounts presented.

ART. 4. Voted: That all real estate taxes for the year 1954 shall be due and payable on or before July 1, 1954; that all personal property taxes for the year 1954 shall be due and payable in two equal installments July 1, 1954 and October 1, 1954, and that interest on all taxes remaining unpaid after November 1, 1954 shall be charged at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, computed from October 1, 1954.

4 ✓ ART. 5. Voted: That the town authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1954 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year.

5 ✓ ART. 6. Voted: That R. Arthur Lundgren be chosen Director for County Aid to Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 128, Section 41 of the General Laws, to serve one year.

6 ✓ ART. 7. Voted: That the town transfer the money received from the County known as the "Dog Fund" to the Library Department, the amount of the fund being \$1,392.53.

7 ✓ ART. 8. Voted: That the Tree Warden draw from the appropriation for his department \$25.00 as salary and the further sum of \$1.05 per hour for all time that he shall expend in actual labor in connection with his department.

8 ✓ ART. 9. Voted: That the town authorize the town treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to sell or dispose of the property acquired by the town through Treasurer's Deeds on Tax Titles foreclosed by Commissioner's Affidavit of Land of Low Value, or by foreclosure through the Land Court.

ART. 10. Voted: That the town fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the town as provided by section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws to be made effective from January 1, 1954 as contained in the budget.

ART. 11. Voted: That the following sums of money to defray town charges for the ensuing year be raised and appropriated.

#### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Town Officers' Bonds	\$ 637 00
Selectmen's Salaries	900 00
Selectmen's Expense	800 00
Accountant's Salary	2897 00
Accountant's Expense	100 00
Treasurer's Salary	928 00
Treasurer's Expense	343 00
Foreclosure Expense	100 00
Town and Collector's Salary	2488 00
Tax Collector's Expense	653 00
Town Collector's Expense	1968 00
Assessors' Salaries	1800 00
Assessors' Expense	3349 00
Town Clerk's Salary	1103 00
Town Clerk's Expense	355 00
Election and Registration	1900 00
Town Counsel	500 00
Planning Board	50 00
Town Hall Expense	5000 00
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#### PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department—Salaries and Wages	\$16818 00
Police Department—Expense	840 00
Police Department—Uniforms	500 00
Municipal Car and Ambulance	2400 00
Fire Department—Salaries and Wages	11400 00
Fire Department—Expense	3700 00
Fire Alarm Maintenance	1100 00
Insurance Town Employees	3370 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	200 00
Moth Suppression	1200 00

Dutch Elm Disease Control	800 00	
Tree Warden	1800 00	
Forest Fire Warden	800 00	
Inspector of Wires	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$44978 00

#### HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health Salaries	\$ 300 00	
Board of Health Expense	6900 00	
Inspector of Animals	100 00	
Inspector of Slaughtering	300 00	
Visiting Nurse	4000 00	
Sewer Department	1260 00	
Poison Ivy Control	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$13160 00

#### HIGHWAYS

Municipal Building	\$ 1200 00	
Snow and Ice	11115 00	
Road Machinery Repair and Operation	7500 00	
Chapter 81	13700 00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1500 00	
Chapter 90 Construction		
North Orange Road	1500 00	
Holtshire Road	2750 00	
Harrington Meadow Bridge	7000 00	
Highway Department	9200 00	
Flood Control	500 00	
Street Lights	8000 00	
Public Drinking Fountain	150 00	
Fence Viewers	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$64165 00

#### CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Old Age Assistance	\$90000 00	
Aid to Dependent Children	22000 00	
Board of Public Welfare Salaries	600 00	
Eastern Franklin Welfare District		
Administration	4000 00	
Disability Assistance	13000 00	
Welfare Department	12000 00	

Memorial Hall Maintenance	1820 00
Veterans' Benefits	19550 00
	<hr/> \$162970 00

#### SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

School Department—Expense of Administration	\$ 8710 00
School Department—Expense of Instruction	173105 00
School Department—Expense of Operation	34800 00
School Department—Auxiliary Agencies	27751 00
School Department—New Equipment	1500 00
Library Department	10257 00
School Garden Exhibit	200 00
Adult Garden Exhibit	100 00
	<hr/> \$256423 00

#### RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Parks and Playgrounds	\$3391 00
Playground Instructor	250 00
Life Guard and Swimming Instructor—Lake Mattawa	450 00
Airport Maintenance	2000 00
Memorial Day	365 00
Care of Town Clock	150 00
Town Reports	1000 00
Band Concerts	700 00
Music North Orange Reunion	65 00
Co. F. Rifle Range Expense	100 00
Retired Pensions	1200 00
Fish and Game Distribution	400 00
Finance Committee Expense	200 00
	<hr/> \$10271 00

#### ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES

Water Commissioners' Salaries	\$ 300 00
Water Department—Wages	12416 00
Water Department—Expense	7705 00
Water Department—Equipment	3000 00
Cemetery Commissioners' Salaries	150 00
Cemetery Department	5300 00
	<hr/> \$28871 00



## INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

Interest	\$ 3226 25
Maturing Debt	34000 00
	<hr/> \$37226 25
Total appropriated under Article 11	\$643935 25

ART. 11. Voted: That the \$3500.00 Reserve Fund be appropriated from Overlay Reserve. **\$3500.00**

ART. 12. Voted: That the town appropriate \$69.68 to pay outstanding bills for the year 1953. **\$69.68**

ART. 13. Voted: That the town appropriate from surplus revenue \$21,175.00 for the State Allotment for Chapter 81 Maintenance with the provision that reimbursement from the State when received be restored to surplus revenue. **\$21175.00**

ART. 14. Voted: That the town appropriate from surplus revenue \$24,250.00 for the State and County Allotments for Chapter 90 Maintenance and Chapter 90 Construction with the provision that reimbursement from the State and County when received be restored to surplus revenue. **\$24250.00**

ART. 15. Voted: That the town transfer \$2300.00 from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account to the Road Machinery Repair and Operation Account. **\$2300.00**

ART. 16. Voted: That the town purchase from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account: Two 1954 Ford 2-ton, two-speed axel, dump trucks costing \$5800.00; One 1954 Ford V8 ½-ton pickup truck costing \$1200.00; One post hole digger costing \$252.00. **\$7252.00**

ART. 17. Voted: That the town sell or trade one 1947 Ford 2-ton dump truck, one 1948 Ford ½-ton pickup.

ART. 18. Voted: That the town repair the roadway and drainage construction on South Main Street from Burrill Avenue to the Square, so-called, as per plan on file in the Office of Public Works Department, Greenfield, Massachusetts. **\$2000.00**  
And to pay for same, the Town appropriate from available funds the sum of \$2000.00 and to borrow the sum of \$10000.00 and issue

notes and bonds of the Town therefor for not more than 10 years.  
Vote was unanimous. **\$10000.00**

ART. 19. Voted: That the town sell or trade the present police car and appropriate \$345.00 for the purchase of a new car.  
**\$345.00**

ART. 20. Voted: That the town accept Section 160 of Chapter 147, General Laws, which provides that members of the Police Department shall be excused from duty two days out of every seven without loss of pay and appropriate \$2400.00 for the employment of an additional Police Officer.  
**\$2400.00**

ART. 21. Voted: That the town accept Section 111D, Chapter 41, General Laws, which provided that all members of its regular Police Force may be granted a vacation without loss of pay. Such Vacations to be computed in the following manner: For five years' service but less than 8 years' service a vacation of three weeks, for ten years' service or more, a vacation of four weeks.

ART. 22. Voted: That the town appropriate \$15000.00 to purchase a piece of snow removal equipment.  
**\$15000.00**

ART. 23. Voted: That the town authorize the Selectmen to sell the following: One Square D., Saxles Panel, 250 volts, 600 amp. Mains, 8.30 amp Fused Circuits, 8.60 amp. Fused Circuits, two 100 amp. Fused Circuits all 3 pole. One square D. Switch, 250 volts, 600 amp. 3 pole, Fused 3 fuses, Type C. Miscellaneous lengths of wire and cable from 600 to No. 6 T.W., also small amounts of E.M.T. Conduit and Fittings.

ART. 24. Voted: That the town appropriate \$2500.00 to replace or repair the present existing gate and repair the stone work at the north end of Lake Mattawa.  
**\$2500.00**

ART. 25. Voted: No. Relative to cleaning Vorce's Reservoir.

ART. 26. Voted: That the town authorize the Selectmen to sell two existing buildings now located on the former Lord property in Orange by private sale.

ART. 27. This article was passed over without action. (Relative to sewer on Mechanic Street).

ART. 28. This article was passed over without action. (Re. Street Light on Athol Road).

ART. 29. This article was passed over without action. (Re. Street Light on South Road).

ARTICLES 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, referred to Planning Board, (Re. Water at North Orange, Borrowing money for North Orange Water. Sewer on North Main Street, Water on North Main Street, Water on Cross Road, Water on West Main Street).

ART. 37. Voted: That the town accept that tract of land of Fryeville Road, in the Tully section, heretofore known as "Mayo Road" and as laid out and described in a survey by N. J. Hunting dated August 1951 and to be recorded and all at no expense to the town and provided that all abutters grant release deeds to the town.

ART. 38. Voted: That the town appropriate the additional sum of \$150.00 to acquire by purchase a tract of land from the DeWitt C. Martin heirs containing about five acres more or less and lying 150 feet north of the proposed north line of Hamilton Avenue Extension and extending northerly to the Millers River.

**\$150.00**

ART. 39. Voted: That the town appropriate \$6900.00 for the installation of a drainage system to carry away surface water from a point near the junction of West River Street and Briggs Street, thence northerly by the Allen house and the Songer house to land acquired by the town from DeWitt Martin heirs, according to a survey submitted to the Highway Department. **\$6900.00**

ART. 40. This article was passed over without action. (Re. to drainage on West River Street).

ART. 41. Voted: That the town accept from the DeWitt C. Martin heirs, a street running from the terminus of Hamilton Avenue N. 70 degrees, 16 feet W., approximately four hundred (400) feet to the easterly bound of Briggs Street (West River Street, Extension), said road being forty (40) feet in width and being specifically described in a plot recorded in Franklin Registry of Deeds and referred to thereon as Hamilton Avenue Extension provided there is no acquisition cost to the town.

ART. 42. This article was passed over without action. (Re. Russ Street Extension).

ART. 43. This article was passed over without action. (Re. Water on Whitney and Russ Streets.

ART. 44. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5000.00) for the use of the Orange School Survey and Building Committee for expenses of said committee in planning modernization and improvement of existing buildings and in examining sites and procuring preliminary plans for future school buildings that may be found necessary. **\$5000.00**

ART. 45. This article was passed over without action. (Re. to beach at Lake Mattawa.

ART. 46. Voted: That the town direct the Selectmen to investigate the Solomon Poultry Plant in the former New Home Building and report their findings at a subsequent Town Meeting.

ART. 47. Voted: That the town direct the Selectmen or Board of Health to investigate the situation at the town dump and report their findings with recommendations as to eliminating smoke, odors and other conditions at a later Town Meeting.

ART. 48. Voted: That the town authorize the Airport Commissioners to appoint one member thereof as Manager of the Airport, with no compensation involved.

ART. 49. Voted: That the town appropriate \$400.00 to purchase an electric cooling system for the drinking fountain and to acquire without cost from an abutting property owner the permission to house the unit with right to enter, repair and maintain said unit. **\$400.00**

ART. 50. Voted: That the town appropriate \$6,370.00 to install a drainage system on King Street easterly 1150 feet to brook. **\$6370.00**

ART. 51. Voted: That the town accept Evergreen Drive as a public way 900 feet long and 50 feet wide as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and as shown on preliminary plan of survey filed in



the Town's Clerk's Office, provided there is no acquisition cost to the town.

ART. 52. Voted: No. (Re. to new street from East Main Street to Battle Street).

ART. 53. This article was passed over without action. (Re. to Article 52).

ART. 54. Voted: No. (Re. to surveying streets).

ART. 55. Voted: That the town appropriate \$56.93 for Mr. Roy W. French for the use of the parking space. **\$56.93**

ART. 56. Voted: That the town appropriate \$96.80 for Eva Katz for the use of the parking space. **\$96.80**

ART. 57. Voted: That the town appropriate \$4,000.00 to be used by the Water Survey and Development Committee for the purpose of having test wells made in order to arrive at a recommended plan for increasing the water supply for the Town of Orange. **\$4000.00**

ART. 58. Voted: That the town transfer the unexpended balances remaining from inactive accounts back to surplus revenue, as follows:

New Elementary Schools	\$ 28 01	
Drew Development and Water Survey	115 70	
Blodgett Street Water Main	115 08	
Skating Rink	143 19	
School Survey Committee	71 19	
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	\$473 17	<b>\$473.17</b>

ART. 59. Voted: That the town authorize the Town Treasurer to place the Stabilization Fund in a savings deposit account.

ART. 60. Voted: That the town discontinue the Post War Rehabilitation Fund and place the balance of \$1034.30 and the 1953 income therefrom of \$14.22 in the Stabilization Fund. **\$1048.52**

ART. 61. This article passed over without action. (Re. to transfer from Surplus to Stabilization Fund).

ART. 62. Voted: That the town instruct the Assessors to use from free cash \$85000.00 to reduce the tax rate in accordance with Section 7, Chapter 798, Acts and Resolves of 1951 **\$85000.00**

ART. 63. Voted: That the town install and maintain one street light on Eddy Street abutting property of Raymond Duval.

ART. 64. Voted: That the town appropriate \$1059.19 to install a main sewer line on Hamilton Street 260 feet north connecting with present line of Hamilton Avenue. **\$1059.19**

ART. 65. Voted: That the town appropriate \$1445.40 to extend its present sewer system from its present terminus 400 feet southerly along Hayden Street. **\$1445.40**

#### RECAPITULATION

Article 11. Budget	\$643935 25
Article 12. 1953 Bills	\$ 69 68
Article 19. New Car, Police Department	345 00
Article 20. Extra Police Officer	2400 00
Article 22. Snow Removal Equipment	15000 00
Article 24. Repair Gate, Lake Mattawa	2500 00
Article 38. Purchase of Land	150 00
Article 39. West River, Briggs Street Drain	6900 00
Article 44. School Survey Committee	5000 00
Article 49. Drinking Fountain	400 00
Article 50. King Street Drainage	6370 00
Article 55. Parking Lot, Roy W. French	56 93
Article 56. Parking Lot, Eva Katz	96 80

Article 57. Water Survey Committee	4000 00	
Article 64. Sewer on Hamilton Street	1059 19	
Article 65. Sewer on Hayden Street	1445 40	
	<hr/>	\$45793 00
Total amount appropriated		\$689728 25

**Transferred:**

Article 7. From Estimated Receipts to Library	\$1392 53	
Article 11. From Overlay Reserve to Reserve Fund	3500 00	
Article 15. From R. M. E. R. to R. M. O. & R.	2300 00	
Article 16. From R. M. E. R. to Purchase of Mach.	7252 00	
Article 58 From various accounts to Surplus	473 17	
Article 60. From Post War Rehab. Fund to Surplus	1048 52	
	<hr/>	\$15966 22
Total transferred		

**From Surplus Revenue:**

Article 13. From Surplus Revenue to Chapter 90	\$21175 00	
Article 14. From Surplus Revenue to Chapter 90	24250 00	
Article 18. From Surplus Revenue to South Main	2000 00	
Article 62. From Surplus Revenue to Reduce Tax	85000 00	
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Total from Surplus		\$132425 00

To Borrow:

Article 18. For South Main  
Street Drainage

\$10000 00

Meeting adjourned at 10:52 P.M.

A true record of the proceedings of the meeting.

Attest:

ROBERT H. ANDERSON

Town Clerk

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**PROCEEDINGS AT THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING HELD IN  
THE TOWN HALL ON MAY 20, 1954**

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At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Orange, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, held in the Town Hall on Thursday, May 20, 1954, it was voted as follows:

Delbert A. Witty, Moderator

Meeting called to order at 8:02 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. Voted: That the town install a public water system with a 6" diameter pipe to replace 2" pipe from the junction of Walnut Hill Road and Mattawa Hill Road southerly along Walnut Hill Road to the home of Mrs. Sophie Moore and raise and appropriate \$7254.50 to pay for same. **\$7254.50**

ART. 2. Voted. That the town transfer the sum of \$2500.00 from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account to the Road Machinery Repair and Operation Account. **\$2500.00**

ART. 3. Voted: That the Town transfer the sum of \$2000.00 from the School Department Expense of Instruction Account to the Orange High School Athletic Program Account. **\$2000.00**

ART. 4. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate \$3000.00 to acquire a radio homing beacon for the Orange Airport. **\$3000.00**

ART. 5. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate \$150.00  
to be used to improve and maintain Muzzey Field. **\$150.00**

ART. 6. Voted: That the town create a special unpaid Committee, to be known as a regional school district planning committee, to consist of three members, including one member of the school committee, to be appointed by the Moderator as provided by Chapter 71, Section 14, of the General Laws.

ART. 7. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate \$210.00  
to pay for the erection of street signs. **\$210.00**

#### RECAPITULATION

##### To raise and appropriate:

Article 1. Water pipe on Walnut Hill Road	\$7254 50	
Article 4. Radio Homing Beacon for Airport	3000 00	
Article 5. Maintenance of Muzzey Field	150 00	
Article 7. New Street Signs	210 00	
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Total raised and appropriated		\$10614 50

##### To transfer:

Article 2. From R. M. E. R. to R. M. O. & R. Account	\$2500 00	
Article 3. From School Exp. of Opr. to High School Athletic Program Account	2000 00	
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Total transferred		\$4500 00

Meeting adjourned at 8:56 P.M. — 77 present

A true record of the proceedings of the meeting.

Attest:

ROBERT H. ANDERSON

Town Clerk



**RECORD OF THE VOTES CAST AT THE STATE PRIMARY  
HELD IN THE TOWN HALL ON SEPTEMBER 14, 1954**

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Orange, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, September 14, 1954, 10:00 A.M., it was voted as follows:

Polls opened at 10:00 A.M.

Polls closed at 8:00 P.M.

Total number of ballots cast		375
Republican ballots cast	332	
Democratic ballots cast	43	
	_____	375

Republican Vote — 332

**GOVERNOR**

Christian A. Herter	310	
Blank Ballots	22	
	_____	332

**LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

Sumner G. Whittier	322	
Blank Ballots	10	
	_____	332

**SECRETARY**

Michael J. McCarthy	302	
Blank Ballots	30	
	_____	332

**TREASURER**

Augustus G. Means	309	
Blank Ballots	23	
	_____	332

**AUDITOR**

William P. Constantino	303	
Blank Ballots	29	
	_____	332

## ATTORNEY GENERAL

George Fingold	318	
Blank Ballots	14	
	<hr/>	332

## SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Leverett Saltonstall	322	
Blank Ballots	10	
	<hr/>	332

## CONGRESSMAN FIRST DISTRICT

John W. Heselton	304	
Blank Ballots	28	
	<hr/>	332

## COUNCILLOR EIGHTH DISTRICT

Bruce Crane	309	
Blank Ballots	23	
	<hr/>	332

## STATE SENATOR, FRANKLIN AND HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT

Ralph C. Mahar	316	
Blank Ballots	16	
	<hr/>	332

## REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT THIRD FRANKLIN DISTRICT

Olaf Hoff, Jr.	309	
Blank Ballots	23	
	<hr/>	332

## DISTRICT ATTORNEY NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT

Sanford Keedy	299	
Blank Ballots	33	
	<hr/>	332

## REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY

Lawrence A. Comins	304	
Blank Ballots	28	
	<hr/>	332

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

Arthur E. Burgess	13	
Howard F. Burnham	45	
Emile E. Deneault, Jr.	8	
Fred A. Donaldson	32	
Frank H. Reed	139	
Raymond M. Trudel	87	
Blank Ballots	8	
	<hr/>	332

## COUNTY TREASURER FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

Gerard M. Fritz	300	
Blank Ballots	32	
	<hr/>	332

## REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

Harold G. Carrier	29	
Richard O. Guy	31	
Willard A. Haskell	20	
Helen G. Johnson	244	
Blank Ballots	8	
	<hr/>	332

## DEMOCRATIC VOTE — 43

### GOVERNOR

Robert F. Murphy	36	
Francis E. Kelly	6	
Blank Ballots	1	
	<hr/>	43

### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

James A. Burke	42	
Blank Ballots	1	
	<hr/>	43

## SECRETARY

Edward J. Cronin	42	
Blank Ballots	1	
	<hr/>	43

## TREASURER

Clement A. Riley	25	
William F. Carr	6	
John F. Kennedy	11	
Blank Ballots	1	
	<hr/>	43

## AUDITOR

Thomas J. Buckley	41	
Blank Ballots	2	
	<hr/>	43

## ATTORNEY GENERAL

John F. Collins	40	
Blank Ballots	3	
	<hr/>	43

## SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Foster Furcolo	38	
John I. Fitzgerald	1	
Joseph L. Murphy	4	
Blank Ballots	None	
	<hr/>	43

## CONGRESSMAN FIRST DISTRICT

William H. Burns	16	
John J. Dwyer	22	
Blank Ballots	5	
	<hr/>	43

## COUNCILLOR EIGHTH DISTRICT

Stanley Botsa	14	
Raymond F. Sullivan	25	
Blank Ballots	4	
	<hr/>	43

STATE SENATOR FRANKLIN AND HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT

Blank Ballots	43	
	<hr/>	43

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT THIRD FRANKLIN DISTRICT

Carl Paoletti	1	
Blank Ballots	42	
	<hr/>	43

DISTRICT ATTORNEY NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT

Blank Ballots	43	
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REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY FRANKLIN COUNTY

Blank Ballots	43	
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COUNTY COMMISSIONER FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

Francis J. Lawler	32	
Blank Ballots	11	
	<hr/>	43

COUNTY TREASURER FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

Blank Ballots	43	
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REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

Peter J. Sullivan, Jr.	29	
Blank Ballots	14	
	<hr/>	43

A true record of the ballots cast.

Attest:

ROBERT H. ANDERSON

Town Clerk



RECORD OF VOTES CAST AT THE STATE ELECTION HELD  
IN THE TOWN HALL ON NOVEMBER 2, 1954

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Orange, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, November 2, 1954, at 6:00 A.M. it was voted as follows:

• Polls opened at 6:00 A.M.

Polls closed at 8:00 P.M.

Total number of ballots cast		2369
Total number of regular ballots	2225	
Total number of regular absent ballots	140	
Total number of Soldier absentee ballots	4	
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**Total Registration 3563; Total voted 2369; Per cent voting .6648%**

## GOVERNOR

Christian A. Herter, Republican	1848
Robert F. Murphy, Democratic	496
Lawrence Gilfedder, Socialist Labor	2
Guy S. Williams, Prohibition	2
Blank Ballots	21
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	2369

## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Sumner G. Whittier, Republican	1848
James A. Burke, Democratic	485
Donald E. Babcock, Prohibition	4
Francis A. Votano, Socialist Labor	2
Blank Ballots	30
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	2369

SECRETARY

Edward J. Cronin, Democratic	603	
Michael J. McCarthy, Republican	1686	
Fred M. Ingersoll, Socialist Labor	5	
William D. Ross, Prohibition	6	
Blank Ballots	69	
	<hr/>	2369

## TREASURER

John F. Kennedy, Democratic	629	
Augustus G. Means, Republican	1672	
Henning A. Blomen, Socialist Labor	3	
Isaac Goddard, Prohibition	4	
Blank Ballots	61	
	<hr/>	2369

## AUDITOR

Thomas J. Buckley, Democratic	630	
William P. Constantino, Republican	1655	
John B. Lauder, Prohibition	4	
Anthony Martin, Socialist Labor	2	
Blank Ballots	78	
	<hr/>	2369

## ATTORNEY GENERAL

George Fingold, Republican	1787	
John F. Collins, Democratic	512	
Howard B. Rand, Prohibition	5	
Malcolm T. Rowe, Socialist Labor	2	
Blank Ballots	63	
	<hr/>	2369

## SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Leverett Saltonstall, Republican	1797	
Foster Furcolo, Democratic	535	
Thelma Ingersoll, Socialist Labor	2	
Harold J. Ireland, Prohibition	1	
Joseph McCarthy	1	
Blank Ballots	33	
	<hr/>	2369

## CONGRESSMAN FIRST DISTRICT

John W. Heselton, Republican	1845	
John J. Dwyer, Democratic	493	
Blank Ballots	31	
	<hr/>	2369

## COUNCILLOR EIGHTH DISTRICT

Bruce Crane, Republican	1732
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Raymond F. Sullivan, Democratic	538	
Lawrence Hurlburt, Prohibition	10	
Blank Ballots	89	
	<hr/>	2369

#### SENATOR FRANKLIN AND HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT

Ralph C. Mahar, Republican	2113	
John Doe	1	
Cleland Bodman	1	
Blank Ballots	254	
	<hr/>	2369

#### REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT, THIRD FRANKLIN DISTRICT

Olaf Hoff, Jr., Republican	1991	
John Doe	1	
Joe Stalin	1	
Carl Paoletti	1	
Blank Ballots	375	
	<hr/>	2369

#### DISTRICT ATTORNEY NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT

Stanford Keedy, Republican	1957	
Blank Ballots	412	
	<hr/>	2369

#### REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY FRANKLIN COUNTY

Lawrence A. Comins, Republican	1965	
Lewis Calcari	1	
Blank Ballots	403	
	<hr/>	2369

#### COUNTY COMMISSIONER FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

Francis J. Lawler, Democratic	538	
Frank H. Reed, Republican	1673	
James D. Avery, Independent	59	
Blank Ballots	99	
	<hr/>	2369

#### COUNTY TREASURER FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

Gerard M. Fritz, Republican	1954	
Blank Ballots	415	
	<hr/>	2369

# REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

Helen G. Johnson, Republican	1768	
Peter J. Sullivan, Jr., Democratic	503	
Blank Ballots	98	
	<hr/>	2369

## QUESTION No. 1

### LIQUOR LICENSE QUESTION

A.	License to sell all alcoholic beverages		
	YES	1425	
	NO	605	
	Blank Ballots	339	
		<hr/>	2369
B.	License to sell wine and malt beverages only		
	YES	1339	
	NO	557	
	Blank Ballots	473	
		<hr/>	2369
C.	License to sell alcoholic beverages in packages		
	YES	1419	
	NO	507	
	Blank Ballots	443	
		<hr/>	2369

## QUESTION No. 2

### PARI-MUTUEL SYSTEM OF BETTING ON HORSE AND DOG RACES

A.	Horse Races		
	YES	979	
	NO	865	
	Blank Ballots	525	
		<hr/>	2369
B.	Dog Races		
	YES	886	
	NO	913	
	Blank Ballots	570	
		<hr/>	2369
A true copy of the record of the votes cast.			

Attest:

ROBERT H. ANDERSON

Town Clerk

## VITAL STATISTICS

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As required by Chapter 46, Section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts, notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for return of births, to parents, householders, physicians and registered hospital officers applying therefor.

Parents are also informed that they are required to report birth of their children regardless of any other return that has been made from other sources.

Parents please be certain that the recording of the record of the birth of your child is as you wish it to be recorded. Don't leave it to any second or third party.

Much inconvenience will be saved your children later in life if this small detail is attended to at this time. It is much easier to have the original record correct than it is to attempt to have it changed later.

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## HAVE YOU A BIRTH RECORD?

A birth certificate is a precious document. Sometimes it is the only proof of a person's American citizenship. Often it is the one thing that can qualify him for a passport, a pension or employment in the State and Federal Government or in a defense industry.

Yet, according to United States Census Bureau authorities, between 40,000,000 and 50,000,000 Americans lack birth certificates. Doctors and nurses who attended their coming into the world neglected to file the necessary data at the city or town halls. Some States and many communities kept inadequate records, if they kept any records at all. And, in rare instances, disasters like fires or earthquakes destroyed the municipal books.

In view of the fact that the situation is as bad as the Census Bureau says, it would seem worth while for each citizen to ascertain his status in the birth certificate picture and to find out, before it is too late, what he must do to get a satisfactory substitute for this enrollment.

ROBERT H. ANDERSON

Town Clerk



## VITAL STATISTICS

### BIRTHS

#### JANUARY

Date	Name of Child	Parents
1	Sally Ann Shatos	Stanley R. and Pauline E.
3	Nancy Arlene Ball	James C. and Norma E.
3	Ann Elise Maynard	Emerson A. and Thelma
6	Susan Jane Dodge	Howard A. and Jean A.
9	Byron Leonard Cummings III	Byron L., Jr. and Nora L.
10	Mary Elin Johnson	Philip G. S., Jr. and Kathryn M.
13	Samuel Paoletti, Jr.	Samuel and Concetta F.
13	Bonnie Lisa Barnes	Robert Y. and Teresa L.
23	Francis Elmer Bowers	Charles H. and Evelyn M.
27	Dale Everett Murphy	Frank A. and Myrtle E.

#### FEBRUARY

1	Russell Allen Smith	Carl J. and Helen M.
4	Cheryl Ann Prue	Kenneth E. and Lunette M.
5	Timothy Frank Aguda	John A. and Margaret A.
11	Rosemary Leah Shumway	Allen H. and Leona I.
13	Kevin Richards Preece	Bernard L. and Elizabeth J.
14	Peter Herbert Wilkinson	Vernon L. and Mary E.
16	Cynthia Rose Monteverde	Ralph L. and Edna H.
17	Kathryn Sue Wheeler	John W. and Patricia
19	Denise Loretta Delano	Everett N. and Blanche A.
19	Karen Irene Howe	Percy D. and Rita M.
20	Donald Joseph Goulette	Howard R. J. and Jeanette M.
21	Maureen Clifford MacKenzie	Douglas C. and Frances Y.
24	Marilyn Jean Oliver	Richard W. and Barbara M.
24	Michael Anthony Cloukey	Milford and Beverly S.
25	Deborah Jean DePratti	Eugene A. and Ermalene T.
26	Nancy Elaine Noyes	Leonard R. and Bernice E.
28	Thomas Francis Galvin III	Thomas F., Jr. and Muriel M.

#### MARCH

1	Richard Baxter Hume	Robert and Marilyn A.
1	Robert Thurston Hume	Robert and Marilyn A.
5	Starla Rae Duguay	Joseph A. and Cleo J.
5	Gail Emily McNamara	Daniel J. and Lorraine G.

6 Sharon Anne Stevens  
 6 Michael Alan Chiasson  
 16 Andrea Heckman  
 19 Deborah Jean Cameron  
 27 Edward Robert Riopelle

Harry W. and Laura G.  
 Ralph P. and Alexsanderia S.  
 Robert J. and Elsie M.  
 Lloyd G. and Dorothy E.  
 Alfred R. and Marguerite M.

# APRIL

3. Jane Keller  
 4 John Malcolm Bergquist, Jr.  
 9 Steven William Jones  
 13 William John Wrigley  
 13 Duane Emile Hathaway  
 18 Pamela Jean Johnson  
 18 Patricia Ann Johnson  
 20 John Clifford Forster  
 22 Bruce Allen Blackmer  
 28 Penny Ann Yuoconis  
 28 Michael Alvin Dailey

Thomas F. and Marjorie A.  
 John M. and Stella S.  
 Russell E. and Arlene E.  
 Walter H. C. and Joanne N.  
 Duane D. and Sybil L.  
 Francis M. and Pauline J.  
 Francis M. and Pauline J.  
 Clifford J., Jr. and Dorothy M.  
 John W., Jr. and Nancy J.  
 Victor A. and Sylvia L.  
 Herbert C. and Phyllis R.

# MAY

1 Wanda Eve Carter  
 4 Chris Arlan Riddell  
 4 Keith George Lyman  
 5 Michael Delvin Truckey  
 6 Janine Marie Holston  
 13 Lorin Dwight Bradshaw  
 24 Dana Edward Pollard  
 26 Cheryl Anne Hurtle  
 29 William Henry Austin, Jr.  
 29 Cheryl Ann Belanger

Winthrop L. and Doris L.  
 Wilfred and Doris V.  
 Stanley E. and Gene A.  
 Julius K. and Dorothy T.  
 John E. and Ruth C.  
 Wilber F. and Virginia H.  
 Neill H. and Mary B.  
 Roger W. and Jeanne  
 William H. and Janice E.  
 Paul L. and Thelma G.

# JUNE

3 Kathleen Louise Rouleau  
 10 Pamela Rae Goyette  
 11 Michael Gordon Boucher  
 12 Lois Dianne Morrison  
 14 John David Waters  
 14 Theresa Helen Gelinias  
 22 James Robert Von Deck  
 23 Kevin Clayton Vaughn  
 25 George Ann O'Lari  
 25 Mark Leo DeJackome  
 27 Melanie Lynn Whitney

Robert G. and Marguerite E.  
 Robert F. and Helen R.  
 Gordon A. and Marilyn E.  
 Nicholas E. and Alice C.  
 Frank T., Jr. and Barbara R.  
 Ernest W. and Christina M.  
 James F. and Ella L.  
 Vernon E. and Shirley T.  
 Edward P. and Georgia M.  
 Bernard V. and Jeannette T.  
 Robert C. and Jean E.

## JULY

- 29 Claire Alma Spring
- 2 George Elbert Damon
- 7 Walter Edwin Smith
- 13 Paul Lesly Gamache
- 13 Christina Lee Sixt
- 14 Peter Howard Castine
- 19 Alberta Ann Hager
- 27 Dennis Charles Hallett
- 29 LuAnn Marie Sinclair
- 30 Nancy Ann Kingsbury

- Crawford M. and Agnes A.
- John J. and Barbara R.
- Albert E. and Gladys M.
- Roland J. and Priscilla F.
- Norman G. and Ann C.
- Eugene H. and Margaret J.
- Almond A. and Barbara E.
- Gerald S. and Evelyn I.
- Robert A. and Doris M.
- Robert W. and Phyllis N.

## AUGUST

- 3 Anna Marie Machnik
- 4 Teresa Marie Zink
- 9 Marla Cromwell
- 17 Bonnie Lou Lewis
- 21 Enid Elizabeth Lawson
- 27 Peter Leo Losius

- Miroslaw and Martha
- William J. and Geraldine A.
- Ralph L. and Marilyn
- Ralph E. and June E.
- Hugh H. and Sylvia P.
- Veto and Frances M.

## SEPTEMBER

- 2 Lynne Marie Vescovi
- 3 Michael Warren Adams
- 3 Mark Stephen Taylor
- 6 Brian Thomas Keach
- 10 John Jay Stevens
- 11 Nancy Elaine Herk
- 14 Lucinda Golfin
- 16 Barry Stephen Webb
- 21 Linda Susan Levine
- 25 Kirk Blackbird
- 27 William Elwin Metcalf
- 27 Laurel Ellen Rice
- 29 David Larry Willard

- Russell P. and Jean D.
- Warren A. and Madeline B.
- Joseph W., Jr. and Joan A.
- Thomas D. and Camaline T.
- Henry J. and Pauline R.
- Richard H. and Bertha J.
- James S. and Madeline L.
- George R. and June E.
- Richard and Nancy
- Thelesfad and Joan A.
- Morris E. and Annie I.
- True B. and Shalmir A.
- Carl V. and Mildred A.

## OCTOBER

- 12 Jeffrey William Blum
- 13 Christopher Michael Cody
- 15 Electa Marie Torstensen
- 23 Candace Marie Matthews
- 30 Nicholas Arthur Lashua
- 30 Debra Lee Cyr

- William A. and Rae
- Stephen L. and June A.
- Ralph H. and Charlotte L.
- Melvin R. and Edith I.
- Gilbert E. and Althea I.
- Joseph A. and Viola M.

## NOVEMBER

3	Susan Jean Hebert	James E. and Avis L.
3	Jay Anthony Belletete	Maurice J. and Barbara A.
7	Christopher Jonathan Seaver	George A. and Jeanne E.
9	Denise Lee Emmett	James W. and Lucretia A.
9	Denis Lee Emmett	James W. and Lucretia A.
10	Susan Fay Porter	Everett L. and Virginia F.
13	David Jon Martin	Joseph R. and Barbara D.
14	Robin Sue Sharpe	Edward P. Sr., and Marion H.
22	Cheryl Anne Cahoon	Albert J. and Shiela H.
24	Kevin Donald Grindle	Donald W. and Susie A.
26	Debra Ann Masellis	John A. and Frances E.

## DECEMBER

6	Barbara Ann Holman	Carl P. and June B.
11	Gail Marie Jonilionis	Alphonse A. and Catherine M.
12	Sherilyn Kay Sanborn	Farrell M. and Marilyn
15	Terry Eliot Plotkin	Melvin and Esther B.
15	Donna Marie Vorce	Enville B. and Simone G.
16	Lindsey Charles Waterhouse	Lindsey C. and Grace
16	Cynthia Jean Ellis	Franklin J. and Jean C.
17	William Paul Zani	Ernest D. and Amanda A.
18	Gay Hazel Dickinson	Forrest P. and Barbara R.
22	Luann Jean Kimball	Raymond H. and Marilyn H.
23	Charles Everett Barnes	Charles L. and Barbara A.
23	Jeffrey Scott Chiasson	Willard J. and Nancy J.
24	Richard Carl Sault, Jr.	Richard C. and Shirley M.
26	Rita Anna Bolduc	Wilfred T. and Rita E.
28	Merle Guy Elwell, III	Merle G., Jr. and Rosemarie H.

## MARRIAGES

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### JANUARY

Date	Name of Bride and Groom	Residence	Where Married
1	William Franklin Sanderson, Athol Jennie Mary Holmes, Orange		Erving
16	Eugene Howard Castine, Templeton Margaret Joyce Doody, Orange		Athol
23	Charles Francis O'Lari, Orange Gloria Anna Noel, Athol		Athol
23	James P. Murray, Jr., Brookline Priscilla Margaret Deegan, Boston		Orange

### FEBRUARY

7	Robert Charles Whitney, Orange Jean Elizabeth Davis, Orange		Chicopee
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### MARCH

11	Alfred Lashua, Royalston Maxine Louise Arnot, Orange		Orange
17	Joseph John Johnson, Athol Alice Lillian Tatro (Reed), Athol		Orange
27	Randell Williams Rogers, Warwick Elizabeth Greta Carpenter, Orange		Athol

### APRIL

3	David Glenn Reed, Orange Dorothy Elaine Barrett, Orange		Orange
4	Gerard Johannas Terpstra, Orange Helen Catherine Kerivan, Natick		Lynn
5	Victor William Verney, Orange Olive Fern (Luman) Woodward, Orange		Orange
16	Richard Henry Herk, Warwick Bertha Jean Johnson, Orange		Orange
17	John Edward Bresnahan, Erving Beatrice (Woods) English, Orange		Erving
24	Charles Orrin Bullis, Orange Grace Marie Haugh, Waltham		Waltham



## MAY

2	Robert LeRoy Ashley, Greenfield	Orange
	Ruth Parkhurst (Ballard) Harris, Orange	
15	Edwin Johnson, Orange	Orange
	Winifred Eleanor Phelps, Athol	
16	William Rudolph Sterbinsky, Templeton	Orange
	Hope Nellie Whipple, Orange	
19	Kenneth Raymond Corey, Orange	Greenfield
	Mildred Alice White, Greenfield	
29	Walter Albert Terry, Orange	Athol
	Joanna Margaret Wallace, Athol	

## JUNE

5	Reuben Paul Bishop, Easthampton	Orange
	Mildred (White) (Thomas) Glidden, Wendell	
5	Peter Earl Prue, Orange	Warwick
	Frances Mildred Bowers, Warwick	
6	Arthur Harry Tolman, Athol	Orange
	Phyllis Valerie Hall, Orange	
12	Edward Edrick Sweeney, Orange	Orange
	Beverly Anne Thayer, Orange	
19	Ronald Earl Legrand, Athol	Athol
	Marilyn Hazel Green, Orange	
19	Herbert Ray Chamberlain, Orange	Orange
	Yvonne Alice Arseneault, Orange	
20	Gordon Vernon Benson, Athol	Orange
	Helen Jane Peters, Orange	
26	Alfred Joseph Boudreau, Athol	Orange
	Delia Mae Therrien, Orange	

## JULY

2	Donald Frederic Littlewood, Orange	Athol
	Bertha May (Knowlton) Deveneau, Athol	
3	John Harold Ferguson, Jr., Orange	Erving
	Josephine Lucy (Deleo) Jewett, Orange	
3	Harvey Joseph LeFrancois, Orange	Orange
	Elaine Maxine Sawyer, Orange	
5	George Richard Pratt, Athol	Orange
	Betty-Sue Ballou, Orange	
10	Alden Arthur Leonard, Orange	Erving
	Viola Olive (Downing) McLaren, Orange	

10	John Kirk Willard, Randolph	Orange
	Kathleen Ann Mulkein, Randolph	
15	John Henry Robinson, Wendell	Athol
	Helen Elizabeth Smith, Orange	
18	David William Stowell, Athol	Orange
	Bessie Ada Whipple, Orange	
24	Glenn Eugene Tucker, Warren	Stafford, Conn.
	Betty Louise Pimental (Turner), Orange	
24	Frederick W. Elliott, Petersham	Orange
	Claire (Stone) Brook, Petersham	
31	John Ralph Beroldi, Jr., Athol	Orange
	Beverly Elizabeth Abbott, Orange	

#### AUGUST

20	Chester Arthur Friend, Jr., Morgantown, W. Va.	Orange
	Janet Helena Anderson, Orange	
21	Wilfred Hamilton Parker, Orange	Worcester
	June Ann Menard, Orange	
27	Carroll Nelson Cook, Athol	Athol
	Marjorie Evelyn (Lawson) Paige, Orange	
27	Norman Earl Britt, Athol	Athol
	Shirley Marion Sampson, Orange	
27	Raymond Leonard Colburn, Orange	Barre
	Ann Marie Murphy, Barre	
28	William Ambrose Cameron, Athol	Erving
	Lucy Mary (Cloukey) King, Orange	
28	Albert David Potter, Amherst	Amherst
	Patricia Ellen Coy, Orange	

#### SEPTEMBER

4	Edward Lloyd Bassett, Athol	Orange
	Anita Mary Miarecki, Athol	
4	James Nelson Vorce, Orange	Orange
	Nancy Linnea Porter, Orange	
6	James Robert Goodwin, Templeton	Templeton
	Evelyn Gayle Peacock, Orange	
17	Robert Vincent Marceau, Montague	Orange
	Cora (Burnap) Connors, Orange	
20	Frank Joseph Maestri, Orange	Orange
	Olga Joan (Stankaitis) Shatos, Orange	
25	Rodney Dale Murphy, Orange	Erving
	Beverly May Jewett, Orange	
25	Charles Louis Verheyen, Hyde Park	Orange
	Ethel Agnes Smith, Orange	

## OCTOBER

1	Richard Earl Bergquist, Orange Sonya Anderson, Orange	Orange
2	Kenneth Edmund Wilcox, Orange Pauline Mary-Gabrielle Letourneau, Orange	Orange
23	Peter Thomas Hebert, Orange Shirley Norma Akers, Orange	Orange
23	Henry Francis Smith, Orange Theresa Veronica Marion, Athol	Athol
23	Gerard Edgar Jaillet, Gardner Shirley Marilyn Parker, Orange	Athol

## NOVEMBER

10	Robert Elmer Clough, Northfield Joyce Rose Doane, Orange	Montague
25	Raymond Joseph Conway, Montague Ruth Madeline (Bishop) Lambert, Orange	Orange
27	Richard Naphtali Coffin, Orange Lois Carey, Shutesbury	Shutesbury

## DECEMBER

4	Charles Henry Stewart, Phillipston Jeanne Lillian Towle, Orange	Orange
8	Ronald Blackburn, Orange Sheila Totty, Orange	Athol
11	Ronald Chester Austin, Orange Mary Theresa Zani, Orange	Orange
18	Miguel Antoni Arce, Orange Jean Anne Hebert, Orange	Orange
24	Howard Calvin Morey, Orange Bernice May Rivers, Orange	Orange
27	Philip Wilson Woodrow, Orange Ruth Luceille Ferreira, Provincetown	Provincetown
28	James H. Mullen, Holyoke Frances (Taylor) Shea, Holyoke	Orange

## DEATHS

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### JANUARY

Date	Name	Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death
6	Laura Nesbit	82	11	16	Chronic Myocarditis
6	Frank Wesley Hanson	80	1	17	Chronic Myocarditis
8	Sarah (Buckley) McCarthy	87	0	17	Arterio Sclerotic Heart Disease
16	Edward Percival Fleming	77	10	26	Broncho Pneumonia
20	George Letourneau	84	8	18	Hypertrophied Prostate
21	Louie Maude (Smith) (Frenz) Ross	71	1	26	Coronary Thrombosis
25	Beatrice (Randall) Beare	85	6	12	Chronic Myocarditis

### FEBRUARY

6	Wayne A. Kimball	4	6	0	Edema of Epiglottis
6	Florence Josephine Elliott	57	2	20	Heart Failure
9	Flora Estella (Mills) Desmond	70	3	19	Carcinoma of Liver
17	Clara Adele (Whipple) Atherton	92	4	20	Organic Heart Disease
20	Ida Ethelyn Barnes	82	8	22	Chronic Myocarditis

### MARCH

2	Ebba (Carlson) Johnson	57	1	5	Glomerular Nephritis
11	Hannah Louise (Derby) Cudworth	95	10	5	Cerebral Hemorrhage
12	Annie (Patch) Kimball	86	4	2	Parkinson's Disease
20	Josephine Henrietta (Bragg) Forslund	72	6	5	Cerebral Hemorrhage
20	Joseph Kaczmarczyk	72	4	15	Cerebral Hemorrhage
24	Alfred Joseph Richards	55	6	4	Coronary Thrombosis
26	Anna Marion (Andrulis) Roche	77	9	6	Coronary Thrombosis

### APRIL

7	Herbert Eugene Dexter	89	1	29	Duodenal Ulcer
13	Franz August Erikson	87	6	28	Chronic Myocarditis

16	Mabel Ruth (Smith) (Pike) Gray	82	4	25	Chronic Myocarditis
18	John Thomas Conrad	60	1	15	Coronary Thrombosis
28	Edward John White	76	6	14	Arterio Sclerotic Heart Disease

#### MAY

1	Dora M. (Harris) Burrows	84	11	25	Coronary Thrombosis
11	Nellie Marconia (Granski) Westerberg	62	10	3	Cancer of Breast
13	John Edwin Dwinelle	88	3	19	Arterio Sclerotic Heart Disease
22	Fay Elmo Partridge	61	8	16	Chronic Asthma and Bronchiectasis
25	Ruth Frances (Leno) Simpson	31	7	24	Suicide by Shooting
25	John Richards	61	3	10	Broncho Pneumonia

#### JUNE

9	Agnes Mroz	55	0	0	Cerebral Hemorrhage
13	Marjorie Almira (Kilhart) Johnson	47	3	9	Cancer of Breast
21	Sarah Victoria (Mader) Donley	76	0	4	Carcinoma of Intestines
23	Alva M. Doherty	68	4	19	Generalized Peritonitis
28	Mearle Partridge	47	4	4	Cerebral Edema, Tertiary Burns

#### JULY

6	Fred Chester Rand	72	3	21	Coronary Thrombosis
26	George Albert Woodard	61	0	16	Congestive Heart Failure

#### AUGUST

3	George Isaiah Cormier	65	9	22	Coronary Thrombosis
11	Bertha (Wright) (Tucker) Dodge	82	1	19	Arterio Sclerotic Heart Disease



14	Minnie (Howard) Freeman	48	2	29	Carcinoma of Adrenal
19	Lewis Edward Soule	75	3	24	Coronary Occlusion
19	John W. Bagdus	83	0	4	Carcinoma of Rectum
25	Mary E. (Brooks) Lamb	95	11	11	Chronic Myocarditis
25	Marie Louisa Thoren	54	4	25	Cerebral Hemorrhage
23	Clifton Brooks Waite	52	1	23	Bronchogenic Carcinoma

#### SEPTEMBER

9	Edith P. (Ricker) Ardway	68	6	20	Chronic Myocarditis
8	Ida H. (Wrisley) Weaver	88	10	2	Chronic Myocarditis
10	Francis Migneault	29	2	26	Fracture of Skull and Neck
19	Bert Almon Terry	76	10	14	Carcinoma of Bladder
22	Ella Harriet Sawin	61	0	24	Pulmonary Embolism
29	Naomi (Cordiali) Bartolomei	82	1	6	Parkinson's Disease

#### OCTOBER

8	Margaret Anna (Frank) Meehan	82	0	6	Acute Congestive Heart Failure
31	Chester John Dunn	61	0	6	Glioma Left Frontal Lobe

#### NOVEMBER

3	Jessie Esther (Nash) Dewolf	81	5	14	Arterio Sclerosis
4	Elizabeth Frances (Marden) Jones	83	11	21	Acute Congestive Heart Failure
11	Annie E. (Gunson) Bigwood	90	2	23	Cerebral Hemorrhage
13	George Carl Anderson	62	11	15	Broncho Pneumonia
18	Lewis Warren Thompson	47	0	14	Carcinoma of Liver
20	Orrington James Robinson	80	2	21	Cirrhosis of Liver
25	Gloria Brock De Jackome	12	11	0	Internal Hydrocephalus

# DECEMBER

6	Edward Carl Hempel	69	1	19	Gastric Carcinoma
10	Albert Sherman Smith	61	5	9	Chronic Myocarditis
16	Felix Fortier	84	10	0	Virus Pneumonia
20	Cora (Johnson) Copelin	93	3	7	Chronic Interstitial
21	Sarah H. (Sammis) Johnson	77	4	24	Cerebral Hemorrhage
25	Alexander J. Charron	72	2	15	Coronary Occlusion
29	Laura M. (Brown) Brigham	81	0	18	Nephritis Acute Congestive Heart Failure

## FISHERMEN'S, HUNTERS' AND TRAPPERS' LICENSES ACCOUNT

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Resident Citizens' Fishing Licenses	363
Resident Citizens' Hunting Licenses	246
Resident Citizens' Sporting Licenses	294
Resident Citizens' Minor Fishing Licenses	88
Resident Citizens' Women's Fishing Licenses	140
Resident Citizens' Trapping Licenses	5
Special Non-Resident Fishing Licenses (3 Days)	23
Non-Resident Fishing Licenses	15
Non-Resident Hunting Licenses	4
Non-Resident Military and Naval Sporting Licenses	1
Duplicate Licenses	7
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Free Licenses:	
Resident Citizens' Fishing, Hunting and Trapping Licenses, 70 years old or over	87
Resident Citizens' Military and Naval Sporting Licenses	32
Resident Citizens' Fishing Licenses, Old Age Assistance	1
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	120
Total number of Licenses issued	1306

## DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT

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Male Dogs	343
Female Dogs	98
Female Dogs Spayed	192
Kennel Licenses \$10.00	19
Kennel Licenses \$25.00	2
Military Licenses (Free)	7
Transfer License	1
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Total Number of Licenses issued	642

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT H. ANDERSON

Town Clerk

# Assessors' Report

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The Board of Assessors submits the following:

## REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1954

### TOTAL ASSESSED VALUATION YEAR 1954

Personal Property	\$ 480480 00
Real Estate	5928400 00
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	1134210 00
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	\$7543090 00

### TOWN APPROPRIATIONS — OVERLAY — STATE AND COUNTY TAX

Town Appropriations	\$ 764287 57
District Board of Veterans' Services	2766 58
State Parks and Reservations	1094 16
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	1629 68
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth	998 32
County Tax	24528 63
Retirement Assessment	4004 23
Overlay of Current Year	12002 57
Overlay Deficit	16 00
Underestimates 1953	2168 86
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	\$ 813496 60

### ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Income Tax	\$ 54570 22
Corporation Taxes	31274 93
Reimbursement on account of Publicly Owned Land	433 61
Old Age Tax (Meals) Ch. 64B, S. 10	3612 26
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	43177 82
Licenses	5906 50
Special Assessments	1799 20
General Government	945 10
Protection of Persons and Property	1424 75

Health and Sanitation	357 18
Highways	620 46
School Department	11717 42
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal Grants)	66441 52
Veterans' Benefits	10644 56
School (Funds from Income Tax not included)	8566 73
Libraries	403 37
Recreation	1928 35
Public Service Enterprises	30005 11
Cemeteries	2727 70
Interest	839 56
Aid to Dependent Children	11491 65
Disability Assistance	6674 45
Welfare Department	5168 89
Vocational Education	4395 34
New School Grant	19017 95

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\$ 324144 63

Amounts voted to be taken from Available Funds:

July 14, 1954	\$ 500 00
March 1, 1954	47425 00
March 1, 1954	85000 00

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\$ 132925 00

Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

\$ 457069 63

Net Amount to be raised by taxation on Polls  
and Property

\$ 356426 97

Number of Polls, 1968 at \$2.00 each

\$ 3936 00

Betterment and Special Assessments: Sewers

\$ 1854 00

Classified Forest Land

\$ 2 20

### COMMITTED TO TAX COLLECTOR

Tax on Polls	\$ 3936 00
Tax on Personal and Real Estate	352488 40
Tax on Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	50197 80
Tax on Sewers	1854 00
1954 Tax Rate—\$55.00 per thousand	

### TABLE OF AGGREGATES

Number of Persons Assessed:

on Personal Estate Only	18
on Real Estate Only	2490



on Both Personal and Real Estate	347
Total Number of Persons Assessed	2855
Number of Male Polls Assessed:	1968
Number of Live Stock Assessed:	
Horses (1 year old or over)	33
Neat Cattle	
Cows (milch) (1 year old or over)	341
Yearlings, Bulls, Heifers, etc.	295
Swine	6
Sheep	2
Fowl	40520
All Other	12
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	1458
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	19084.775

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN E. WHITNEY  
CLARENCE E. GOODNOW  
ARTHUR E. HALLBERG

Board of Assessors

# Treasurer's Report

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The report of the Treasurer for the year 1954 is herewith submitted:

Cash on hand, January 1, 1954	\$ 207337 37
Total Receipts for 1954	883233 26
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	\$1090570 63
Payments as per 128 Warrants	\$ 969619 13
Cash on hand December 31, 1954	120951 50
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	\$1090570 63

An itemized report of the receipts and payments may be found in the Town Accountant's Report.

## TAX TITLES

Tax Titles held by Town, January 1, 1954	\$2356 95
Taxes added to Tax Titles in 1954	449 99
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	\$2806 94
Redemption of Tax Titles in 1954	\$ 622 76
Tax Titles held by Town, December 31, 1954	2184 18
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	\$2806 94

## CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

South Cemetery:

	Lot No.	Amount
Edward P. Fleming	30	\$ 100 00
Erroll Fleming	29	100 00
Kenneth Wood	6, 8, 10	225 00
Victor Kimball	27	100 00
Oscar Forslund	45	50 00
Oscar Anderson	83	50 00
Ernest Johnson and Frank Erickson	82	100 00
Carl Almquist	26	100 00
Mrs. Albin Johnson	36	50 00
Frank Hough	56	15 00

Mrs. Monica Graham	55	50 00
John A. Anderson	52	50 00
Albert May	42	50 00
Theodore Gilmore	32	50 00
Mrs. Coleman Waite	34	75 00
Bert Terry, Jr.	40	100 00
Mrs. Ethel Woodard	40	50 00
Albert Dahl	36	50 00
Mrs. Carl Peterson	16	25 00
Everett Deane	62	75 00
Francis Smith	47	25 00
Walter Cullen	58	15 00
<b>Central Cemetery:</b>		
Edith Hartjens (Bowen's)		100 00
Hans Larson	673	75 00
Hans Larson	167½	50 00
Mrs. Roland Horton	175½	100 00
Selma Steinberg	101½	50 00
Hannah Steinberg	104½	50 00
Louise Walsh	81½	100 00
Edith Cooke	323	100 00
<b>Holtshire Cemetery:</b>		
Mrs. Victor Swan		100 00
<b>West Orange Cemetery:</b>		
George and Mildred Peacock	142	50 00
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		\$2280 00

Respectfully submitted,

MARSHALL S. BUELL

Treasurer

# Report of Police Department

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January 13, 1955

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Police Department for the year 1954:

Total Arrests	160
Accidents Reported and Investigated	95
Investigations	813
Night Lodgers	47
Store Doors Found Unlocked	262
Street Lights Reported Out	37

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH E. SMITH

Chief of Police

# Report of Dog Officer

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January 13, 1955

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Dog Officer for the year 1954:

Dog Complaints	125
Dogs Killed	61
Cats Killed	35

Respectfully submitted,

CARLTON W. SPEAR

Dog Officer

# Report of Inspector of Slaughtering

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To the Honorable Board of Health:

I herewith submit my Report as Inspector of Slaughtering for the year 1954:

Month	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep
January	9	4	15	0
February	7	6	4	0
March	5	3	3	0
April	2	7	1	0
May	0	5	0	0
June	1	9	0	0
July	0	7	0	0
August	0	5	0	0
September	1	10	0	0
October	5	6	3	0
November	6	7	13	0
December	19	7	18	0

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS C. MARBLE

Inspector of Slaughtering



# Report of 4-H Club Work

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Nineteen hundred and fifty-four was a busy year for 4-H Club work, a year that saw good organization by a small group of volunteer leaders vitally interested in helping the young people of Orange in worthwhile projects.

Mrs. Martha Jones and her group of adult and junior leaders have done an excellent job with the boys and girls they have had in their clubs. Four-H leadership in Orange, as in all other towns in Massachusetts, and in fact in the country, is volunteer leadership with no remuneration except the personal satisfaction that goes with working successfully with young people. In Orange the only exceptions are the Garden and Canning Supervisors. These two people are paid by the county for their summer work.

## Canning

Mrs. Harvey L. Sherman was the Canning Supervisor for Orange in 1954 and had 28 youngsters enrolled in her canning classes. There were 1851 pints of vegetables, fruits, meat and poultry canned by the members. Excellent exhibits were put on by the canning club members at the Orange School Garden Exhibit and at the Greenfield Fair, with Orange members taking a major share of the prize money in canning at the Greenfield Fair.

## Garden

David Songer was the Garden Supervisor and he had 30 boys and girls enrolled in vegetable and flower garden projects. About an acre and a half was cultivated by the boys and girls, raising produce valued at nearly \$1,000.00.

Excellent exhibits at the Orange School Garden Exhibit and the Greenfield Fair. Anne Baltren and Carolyn Barrows judged at the State 4-H Garden Show in Boston as members of the Franklin County Junior Vegetable Judging team.

Bernard Davis of East Road was named as alternate State 4-H Garden Winner and received an all-expense trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago.

## **Clothing and Other Home Economics Projects**

In 1954 the Orange Blossoms 4-H Club was divided into five groups with Mrs. Martha Jones, Mrs. Florence Thompson, Mrs. Ethel White and Mrs. Ruth Songer as adult leaders and Marcia Day and Edith Fleming as Junior Leaders. Thirty-nine boys and girls took part in the program offered through the Orange Blossoms 4-H Club. Clothing was the major project, but the group also had Child Care, Food Preparation, Entomology, and Poultry members.

The Orange Blossoms won the County 4-H Window Display Contest during National 4-H Club week last spring and first place in the club exhibit class at the Greenfield Fair.

## **Other Projects**

Individual boys and girls were enrolled in dairy, poultry, rabbit and horse projects, but through the lack of leaders were unable to receive the help and guidance the members in the organized Orange clubs got.

The leaders now working with boys and girls in Orange are working with all the youngsters they can efficiently handle. However, the number of boys and girls wishing to carry on both Home Economics, Handicraft, or Agricultural projects is increasing. In order to provide the same opportunity to these young people, more volunteer leaders are badly needed.

Youth work of any kind cannot successfully operate in Orange or anywhere else without parent cooperation and enthusiastic leadership. There are many potential leaders in Orange, enough to meet the needs of all of Orange's young people, and if some of these potential leaders will express the willingness to help Mrs. Jones and her good group of leaders, future community leaders in the town will be started on the right track and their talents developed.

Respectfully submitted,

MILFORD W. ATWOOD

County Club Agent

# Tax Collector's Report

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The report of the Tax Collector for the year 1954 is herewith submitted:

## 1954 POLL TAXES

Commitments per Warrants	\$3936 00	
Abatement refunds	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$3952 00
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$3072 00	
Abatements	826 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	54 00	
	<hr/>	\$3952 00

## 1954 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Commitments per Warrant	\$26426 50	
Abatement refunds	19 25	
Audit Adjustments	10	
	<hr/>	\$26445 85
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$23443 66	
Abatements in 1954	30 25	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	2971 94	
	<hr/>	\$26445 85

## 1954 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Commitments per Warrant	\$326161 82	
Abatement refunds	272 91	
Audit adjustments	46 18	
	<hr/>	\$326480 91
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$285198 10	
Abatement	9753 54	
Added to Tax Titles	447 99	
Audit adjustment	10	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	31081 18	
	<hr/>	\$326480 91

### 1953 POLL TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$24 00
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$12 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$24 00

### 1953 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$3348 82
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$1578 56	
Abatements	11 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	1759 26	
	<hr/>	\$3348 82

### 1953 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954	\$30498 23	
Refunded	5 25	
Abatement after payment	110 00	
Audit adjustment	4 00	
Unlocated difference	18	
	<hr/>	30617 66
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$19718 22	
Abatements	728 38	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	10171 06	
	<hr/>	30617 66

### 1952 PERSONAL PROPERTY

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$2006 45
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$ 588 70	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	1417 75	
	<hr/>	\$2006 45

### 1952 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954	\$7558 82	
Refunded	1 00	
Abatements after payments	120 00	
Audit adjustments	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$7681 82
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$4498 35	
Abatements	120 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	3063 47	
	<hr/>	\$7681 82

### 1951 POLL TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$4 00
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$0 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954		\$4 00

### 1951 PERSONAL PROPERTY

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$128 98
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$98 73	
Abatements	30 25	
	<hr/>	\$128 98

### 1951 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954	\$2744 85	
Unlocated difference	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$2746 35
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$1940 92	
Abatement	15 68	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	789 75	
	<hr/>	\$2746 35

### 1950 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$82 75
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$32 75	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$82 75

### 1949 POLL TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$2 00
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$0 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954		\$2 00

### 1954 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Commitments per Warrants	\$49376 22	
Abatement refunds	2053 61	
Audit adjustment	132 79	
	<hr/>	\$51562 62
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$41308 68	
Abatement	2306 50	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	7947 44	
	<hr/>	\$51562 62



### 1953 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954	\$6105 24	
Commitment per Warrant	2386 82	
Abatement refunds	339 54	
Audit adjustment	25 35	
	<hr/>	\$8856 95
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$5613 09	
Abatements	2923 97	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	319 89	
	<hr/>	\$8856 95

### 1952 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$248 18
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$ 20 51	
Abatements	189 84	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	37 83	
	<hr/>	\$248 18

### 1951 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$416 02
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$ 61 49	
Abatements	303 05	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	51 48	
	<hr/>	\$416 02

### 1950 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$615 10
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$ 2 94	
Abatements	592 16	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$615 10

### 1949 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$2 00
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$0 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954		\$2 00

### 1954 SEWER RENTALS

Commitments per Warrant		\$1854 00
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$1756 00	
Audit adjustment	4 00	
Added to Tax Titles	2 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	92 00	
	<hr/>	\$1854 00

### 1953 SEWER RENTALS

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$104 00
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$80 00	
Audit adjustment	4 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$104 00

### 1952 SEWER RENTALS

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$24 00
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$14 00	
Audit adjustment	2 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$24 00

### TAXES ON ESTATE OF DECEASED PERSONS

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$249 68
Payments to Treasurer in 1954	\$0 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954		\$249 68

Respectfully submitted,

MARSHALL S. BUELL

Tax Collector

# Report of Airport Commission

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The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The past year has seen much added activity at our local airport. The aerial spraying program conducted by the State and Federal Governments created much interest and brought additional revenue into the Town.

The Sunday afternoon Drag Trials proved to be very popular and brought many new faces to our field as well as increased revenue to our local merchants and organizations.

We now have seven planes based at the field, two of which are of the executive type. Rodney Hunt Machine Company and Treadwell Tap and Die of Greenfield are of the latter type.

Mr. Thomas Galvin, Airport Manager and fixed base operator, is continuing flight instruction and charter trips servicing the Athol-Orange area as the Quabbin Flying Service.

The Athol-Orange Aero Club is planning expansion of their Double-T hangar and to equipment during the coming year. A new land lease agreement and reimbursement to the town for back rental was amicably settled, and a good relationship now exists between this organization and The Airport Commission.

The entire grass area was completely mowed three times during the year. At the request of the Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission, the word "Orange" was lettered on the outside apron and new equipment was acquired to increase the safety of the field. Considerable repair and maintenance projects were undertaken due to wear and tear, as well as to unexpected hurricanes that damaged the Administration Building. The Rodney Hunt hangar was repaired. The Administration Building roof was supported, a new wind sock had to be purchased, and some re-roofing done to other buildings. The principal buildings were completely repainted, which improves the appearance at the airport.

We feel that the purchase of the airport Radio Homing-Beacon, approved at the Special Town Meeting, is a great step forward in the development of the field. It is the one major

improvement at the airport since 1944. We are now looking forward to the possibility of a small, modest Administration Building, which will be more pleasing to the eye, but more important, will save the town of Orange a considerable amount. It is costing a great deal to maintain the present Administration Building, which is becoming more and more an inadequate structure for this purpose. The Airport Commission requested the Selectmen to see what could be done toward improving East River Street out to Route 202. The Selectmen and the Highway Superintendent in a meeting with the Athol authorities brought about a program which in 1955 will see a vast improvement by Athol at their end of this road, using Chapter 90 funds. The Orange Highway Department has done an excellent job on cleaning, widening the shoulders and cutting the brush on East River Street. It is hoped that the local highway department will undertake suitable plans to meet the improvement to be made by the Athol Highway Department on its end of the road. Particular reference is made to a dangerous curve which exists on the Orange side close to the line between the two towns.

The Airport Commission has held more than sixty meetings during the year, many of which were devoted to seeking a suitable location for the Radio Homing-Beacon. Promotional work was done in cooperation with Northeast Airlines to improve the use of their service and to the field, and to acquaint the manufacturers and business concerns in the area between Gardner and Greenfield of the existence of our local commercial air service with its accompanying airmail and air freight conveniences.

The members of the Airport Commission without exception are exerting their effort to maintain and improve the airport, which they consider is one of the most valuable assets which our town possesses over all other towns in the area.

CHARLES HAMILTON  
LEE SHIPMAN  
HAROLD BLAKE  
WILLIAM WESSELL  
THOMAS GALVIN

Airport Commissioners

# Report of Civil Defense Director

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During the past year the Civil Defense was called upon to mobilize and stand by for several hours until the emergency in the case of hurricanes Carol and Edna in each case had passed Orange and vicinity.

During the disastrous fire which consumed the Mann Block in Orange Square, the Civil Defense Organization was called on to assist the Police, Fire and Welfare Departments.

These activities gave our organization an opportunity to cooperate with our regular Town Departments.

The heads of Civil Defense divisions have attended schools and meetings held by State and Region Headquarters for instruction purposes.

At present, the State Civil Defense is being reorganized into new regions. It is expected that Orange will be in a new region with Springfield as Region Headquarters. We probably will be in the Greenfield sector. All cities and towns in the State have been requested to provide two-way radio equipment for communication with their sector headquarters, independent of telephones. It has also been recommended that we purchase Geiger Counter equipment.

While Civil Defense plans for Orange and other communities in this area are that we will be a reception area for evacuees from target areas, we must be prepared for any other emergency such as the result of any accidental fall-out of explosives in the event of enemy attack.

Some of the members of Civil Defense attended a very informative school on the use of Geiger Counters and other detecting equipment; also, an expert on the use of this equipment came to Orange to talk to a group of our residents on this subject. We are endeavoring to keep abreast of Civil Defense matters. The Chairman of our Board of Selectmen recently attended an all-day meeting in Worcester of local Civil Defense Directors, at which the State Director and his staff explained the changes to be put into effect during 1955.

Sound films and printed information is available to local organizations, and everyone is invited to contact the Selectmen's Office or the Director for same.



Organizing for emergencies, both natural and man made, seems to be accepted as more or less permanent. We will be successful only if all residents keep posted in regard to Civil Defense matters, and, of course, it is necessary that a good number of our citizens volunteer as members of Civil Defense.

I want to take this opportunity to express appreciation of the many hours of time given by the members of our local Civil Defense during the past year.

ROBERT MacGREGOR, JR.

Director

January 20, 1955

# Report of the Visiting Nurse Association

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The recognition, by the members of the Community, of the services rendered by the Visiting Nurse Association is apparent. The statistical report contained herein proves this observation sound. This report should furnish the readers with a comprehensiveness of the manifold services performed by this organization. The Association was responsible in arranging special consultation and therapeutic treatments of a varied nature for several persons needing the same. This particular action has shown that, in the cases necessitating special treatments, the Association has acted successfully as a liaison between patient and the patient's acquiring of specialized treatment. More of the citizenry should be given to understand that the Association's duties and services are not confined solely to bedside care and participation in clinical work. The Association has and will continue to act as an intermediary in those cases requiring such action.

Mention should be made here, of the immunization clinic, held in the office of the Association for children up to five years, to be held in the spring of the coming year. It should also be noted that a "well child" clinic is to be held during the coming year. Continuing along in a future vein, the association expects to have a contract in effect with the Veterans' Administration by which the Association's services will be made available to the Veterans in town. This contract will be similiar to the one now in existence with the Blue Cross and Cancer Society. When these matters have gone through the negotiating stage, data concerning them will be transmitted to the members of the community by the media usually employed by the Association.

The monthly meetings of the Association were of an invaluable assistance to all participants. Under the able presidency of Mrs. Robbins, the board members successfully resolved certain questions of administration and procedure.

## ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT

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Total No. Visits (Jan.—Aug.)		1215
Morbidity	475	
Maternity	102	
Health Supervision	162	
School	358	
Ambulance Calls	1	
Deliveries	1	
Total No. Patients (Sept.—Dec.)		994
Morbidity	232	
Maternity	90	
Health Supervision	209	
Crippled Children	162	
School	298	
Ambulance Calls	1	
Deliveries	2	
Total No. Visits (Sept.—Dec.)		753
TOTAL VISITS		1968
Nurses' Collections		\$1245 98

# Financial Report of Visiting Nurse Association

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## RECEIPTS

Cash balance December 31, 1954	\$ 157 75
Collected by nurses	1245 98
Town	4000 00
School Department	1750 00
Community Chest	793 00
Donations	6 00
Transfer from contingency fund	100 00
Mileage refund from Mrs. Egan	117 60
Cancer Check	30 00
	<hr/> \$8200 33

## DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries of Nurses	\$5140 20
Office Rent	296 40
Lights	12 20
Telephone	115 55
Gas and oil on cars	403 97
Ordinary repairs on cars	166 70
Mileage on car of senior nurse	14 07
Insurance on cars	130 90
Petty Cash	40 00
Taxes (Withholding and Social Security)	1193 47
Excise tax on cars	12 97
Misc. (Supplies, Cleaning, Advertising, etc.)	79 10
	<hr/> \$7605 83
Balance on Hand at close of 1954	\$ 594 50

ROBERT E. INGHAM

Treasurer

# Report of Board of Public Welfare

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January 25, 1955

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Old Age Assistance rendered during 1954 reflects a slight increase. There were 160 cases on January 1, 1954, and 168 cases on December 31, 1954. During the year 24 new cases were opened. The net cost to the Town for Old Age Assistance was \$30,878.27. The total aid to recipients during the year was \$152,305.21. Receipts from the Federal Government, State, other cities and towns, recoveries and cancellations amounted to \$121,426.94.

Aid to Dependent Children rendered during 1954 reflects an increase also. There were 21 cases on January 1, 1954, and 24 cases on December 31, 1954. During the year 14 new cases were opened. These caseload figures are based on the consideration of a family unit as a single case. The net cost to the Town for Aid to Dependent Children was \$10,374.71. The total aid to recipients during the year was \$35,044.77. Receipts from the Federal and State governments, and from other sources, amounted to \$24,670.06.

Disability Assistance rendered during 1954 reflects a decrease of 20%. There were 25 cases on January 1, 1954, and 20 cases on December 31, 1954. During the year 2 new cases were opened. The net cost to the Town for Disability Assistance was \$3,472.17. The total aid to recipients during the year was \$19,209.15. Receipts from the Federal and State Governments, and from other sources, amounted to \$15,736.98.

General Relief expenditures during the year totalled \$7,829.47 with a considerable amount of fluctuation in the caseload during the year as a result, generally, of the employment picture in this area during 1954. The Town should expect to be reimbursed approximately 70% of the total expenditure from the State Government and from other cities and towns, inasmuch as the majority of cases aided had settlements in other cities and towns or had no settlements. The partial reimbursements received up to December 31, 1954, amount to \$2,322.68. During the year 35 new cases were opened, although the year began and ended with a caseload of 12.

The Public Welfare program rests on the recognition by the community as a whole of its responsibility for individual members



of the community. This recognition of responsibility is expressed in laws, regulations and directives issued at the Federal, State and local levels of government and administered through the Board of Public Welfare. The effective accomplishment of this program has been aided in a great measure by the helpful cooperation of the officials of the Town, the several Town departments and their employees, and by the citizens of Orange in general.

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN R. JOHNSON

Chairman

# Report of the Library Trustees

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The Board of Trustees of the Wheeler Memorial Library submit herewith their report for the year 1954.

During the year 1954 our circulation increased from 53,810 volumes to 57,230 volumes. Six hundred sixty-two volumes were added to our collection and 473 volumes were discarded making a total of 25,003 volumes in our collection.

Last spring we completed the rebuilding of the lawn in front of the building and on the Grove Street side. The old bushes in front of the building were removed and new trees were planted in front of the building. We believe that the change has greatly improved the appearance of the Library. It should be remembered that the Library is the only local public building on the main highway through our town.

The State Regional Library Center at Greenfield sent to Orange last year 16 films which were viewed by 525 persons. Any person or group who would like to have films for a program can consult the list at the Library, and borrow them from the Regional Center. There is no rental charge for the films. This is a service which we hope will be used more in the future.

This fall we undertook to rehabilitate the so-called Historical Room in the basement of the Library, which was condemned for use by the Building Code some years ago. The Trustees of the Alice Mann Town Fund granted us a sum of money sufficient to make the changes needed to comply with the Building Code, to install heat, new light fixtures, and to paint the room. We were able to install some of the shelving used in the former Library Room in the Gale-Brooks School at North Orange.

The Trustees are willing to offer the use of this room to any groups of a cultural nature for meetings during the day or in the evening, subject to the rules set up by the Trustees. Groups wishing to use the room should consult the librarian.

We are very grateful to the Trustees of the Alice Mann Fund for giving us the funds to restore the room for the use of the Library and the community.

We wish to pay tribute to our staff for their fine conscientious work, and for their courtesy to all who use the library. In particular, their work with children both here and in North Orange is to be highly commended.

We acknowledge with thanks gifts of books, magazines and money from various persons and organizations during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR L. WARD, Chairman  
LESLIE FAULKNER  
WILLIAM HAMMOND  
MRS. ALICE K. ROBBINS  
MRS. MABEL S. NEWCOMB  
MRS. JOSEPHINE OSGOOD

# Librarians' Report

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## American Library Association Form of Statistics

Population served (1950 census)	5894
Number of days open during the year	294
Hours open each week for reading	36
Hours open each week for lending	36
Number of volumes added by purchase	640
Number of volumes added by gift	22
Total number of volumes at end of year	25,003
Number of volumes loaned for home use	57230
Number of registered borrowers	3290
State Certificates issued	524
Honor Certificates issued	90

MABEL E. GLASSON

Librarian, Wheeler Memorial Library

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## NORTH ORANGE BRANCH LIBRARY

Number of days during the year	150
Hours open each week for reading	8
Hours open each week for lending	8
Number of volumes added by purchase	121
Number of volumes added by gift	3
Total number of volumes at end of year	3203
Number of volumes loaned for home use	6396
Number of registered borrowers	218
State Certificates issued	120
Honor Certificates issued	15

MYRTHA GALE

Librarian, Moore-Leland Library

North Orange

# Report of Tree Warden

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In 1954 pruning was done on the majority of streets in Orange as well as in outlying districts. Twenty-two dangerous as well as diseased trees, other than elms, were posted and disposed of during the year.

Spraying was done on the main streets of Orange, areas of Lake Mattawa and Martin Hill, by the Hinckley Tree Company for the suppression of Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth. Heavy local areas were checked for Brown Tail Moth and Gypsy Moth and the larvae destroyed. Under the statewide program, the entire Town and surrounding districts were sprayed by the State of Massachusetts by C-47s with very favorable results.

In connection with Dutch Elm Disease, Orange had eight cases of this disease. Elms in Orange, North Orange and West Orange were checked for this disease. This included sending samples to the laboratory in Amherst for testing. This is an increase of five cases over 1953.

Areas in Orange, North Orange, Tully and Lake Mattawa were sprayed with Estrone Brush Killer to destroy poison ivy, with most satisfactory results.

All oak trees on the main streets of Orange were checked for the Oak Wilt disease. There are no cases of this disease in Orange.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD P. WELCOME

Tree Warden and Moth Agent



# Report of Fire Department

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January 18, 1935

Honorable Board of Selectmen,

Orange, Mass.

Subject: Fire Department Report—1954.

Box Alarms	17
Chimney Fires	16
Brush and Grass Fires	31
Flooded Oil Burner	6
Automobile	6
Dump Fires	5
False Alarms	3
Emergency Calls	6
Out of Town (Mutual Aid System)	11
Use of Resucitator	4

Tully Fire Department:

Brush and Grass Fires	3
Chimney Fires	3
Dwellings	4
Total amount of Property Insurance	\$150,000.00
Total amount of insurance paid	21,000.00

Due to the fact that all insurance adjustments have not been made we are unable as of this date to furnish figures on the Mann Block fire.

Amount of Chemical Used — 15 gals.

Amount of CO2 used — 200 lbs.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. REYNOLDS, Chief

A. V. ELLIOTT, Deputy Chief

## Report of Superintendent of Fire Alarm

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January 18, 1955

Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Orange, Massachusetts

Subject: Fire Alarm Report — 1954

Box 36, after being damaged, was taken out, repaired and restored to service.

Repairs were made on the following lines on Mechanic, East River, West Myrtle, East Main and South Main Streets.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. REYNOLDS

Superintendent of Fire Alarm

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## Report of Forest Fire Warden

January 18, 1955

Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Orange, Massachusetts

Subject: Report of Forest Fire Department—1954

There were 31 calls for brush and grass fires which members of the Fire Department extinguished.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. REYNOLDS

Forest Fire Warden

# Department of Veterans' Service

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## EASTERN FRANKLIN DISTRICT

Orange — Warwick — Wendell — New Salem

and

## VETERANS' BENEFITS, ORANGE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the annual report of the Department of Veterans' Service, Eastern Franklin District, and the Veterans' Benefits of Orange, for the year 1954.

One thousand, three hundred and forty-eight telephone contacts, 1195 office contacts and 105 home visits (the latter to veterans or recipients of Veterans' Benefits) have been made. Among the numerous services rendered, 977 photostatic copies of Veterans' records have been made. It is important that all Veterans have a photostatic copy of their Honorable Discharge or Separation Papers, and we urge all Veterans to take advantage of this service.

Thirty-one cases were aided under Veterans' Benefits, which includes 13 new applications. As of December 31, 1954, there were 18 active cases and 1 application pending.

The cost to the Town for Veterans' Benefits for 1954 was \$17,790.38. Reimbursement from the State received in 1954 was \$5,010.58; from other cities and towns, \$40.00; and from individuals, \$62.00.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY B. KIDDER

Director and Agent

# Report of Water Department

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Water Department submits the following report for the year 1954:

- 1954—169,323,000 gallons of water pumped
- 1954—116,676,000 gallons of water metered
- 1953—147,291,000 gallons of water pumped
- 1953—103,077,750 gallons of water metered
- 60 Old meters replaced
- 15 New services added
- 11 Old services renewed
- 2 Leaks in main pipes
- 8 Leaks in service pipes
- 8 Hydrants broken or damaged, only three being reported so that money for damage could be collected.

The 2 inch line on Walnut Hill Road was replaced with 6 inch and extended to Mrs. Moore's. The extension added three new services and gives this section good fire protection.

The old school building on West Myrtle Street used by the Water Department the past several years was officially turned over to the Department this year and a start has been made towards putting it back in good condition. By spending a little money each year the Department hopes in a few years to have a good serviceable building where all the fittings and equipment can be kept inside, and that the building will be an asset to the Town.

Other work has included painting all hydrants, cutting trees and brush at the south end of Lake Mattawa, Vorce's, Power Pond, Force Main and Pumping Station, grading the entrance to the Pumping Station Road, keeping the grass at the Reservoir and Pumping Station mowed and all buildings and equipment in as good condition as possible.

It was fortunate the Mann Block fire occurred when there was a good supply of water. The reservoir was lowered about six feet, as nearly one and three quarters of a million gallons of water was used from the hydrants. If it had happened during the warm dry months this could have been quite serious.

Respectfully submitted,

ARLINGTON WARD

Superintendent

# Report of Planning Board

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Planning Board submits the following report for the year 1954.

Meetings were held on the first Tuesday of each month and special meetings were called when necessary.

Meetings were held with the Highway Department, the Water Department, the Water Survey Committee, the School Survey Committee, the Board of Health, and a committee from North Orange to discuss the North Orange-Tully water situation.

Harry Holden was re-appointed Superintendent of Parks and Playgrounds, and gave regular reports of the work done in our parks and playgrounds.

At Butterfield Park, the following was accomplished:

New ticket booths constructed, the grandstand painted, toilet facilities re-piped, and the football field put in shape so that it could be used.

There is still considerable evidence of vandalism at Butterfield Park. Since it is not possible to have someone with authority present at all times, the type of expense caused by malicious mischief is ever present.

Sally Wheeler as playground instructor at Butterfield Park and Myrtle Harper as Red Cross Life Saving Instructor at Lake Mattawa, were employed on a regular basis during the summer.

It is the opinion of the Board that the work of these instructors was well done and that the care of the parks was excellent, due to the labor of the Superintendent and his assistant, Mr. George Willard.

The Superintendent of Parks also had cleaned out and made usable the well at North Orange which had been condemned.

The plan to resurface the tennis courts was decided to be impractical due to the expense involved, and the money appropriated for the project has been returned to the General Fund.

A plan for extension of water on Walnut Hill was approved and the work has been completed.



There is a definite need for extension of the sewage system on East Main Street due to a health problem caused by business enterprises in this area. Money for a project of this size is not readily available, but the situation cannot be ignored.

At the last regular Town Meeting, a great many problems were referred to the Planning Board for consideration and action. It has not been possible to give proper attention to many of these problems, due to a lack of time for meetings which all members of the Board could attend regularly, and the fact that records of work done in previous years were not readily available.

It is hoped that during the next year, a master plan for improvements to our present water and sewage facilities can be evolved, and presented in such a manner as to stimulate the public interest and cooperation needed to carry it out.

ROBERT POWERS  
RALPH SPOONER  
CLARENCE JARDINE  
WARREN JOHNSON  
FRANK WATERS

# Report of Cemetery Commissioners

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We, the undersigned Board of Cemetery Commissioners, submit the following report:—

The usual work of grading and seeding, filling sunken graves, putting in foundations, mowing and clipping, etc., was done in all seven cemeteries.

Two dead pine trees were removed and two more will have to be removed which are a menace to the cemetery and to adjoining property in Central Cemetery.

Number of Burials	59
Foundations	28
Regrading	17
Graves filled	238

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE J. LAUGHTON  
LESLIE H. LAUGHTON  
JOHN W. BLACKMER

Cemetery Commissioners

# Report of Board of Health

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Mr. Hollis H. Cleveland was appointed acting Sanitary Agent, new division, by this board. Duties, to visit all eating establishments, following the rules and regulations as prescribed by the Massachusetts State Code.

Toxoid Clinics, immunizing children against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus: one clinic for the pre-school group, one for the first-year school group. If we are to protect our community from any of the communicable diseases we must carry on protective programs.

Tuberculosis Clinics, free chest X-rays (State program) are held in Memorial Building, Athol by the Rutland staff, at the Franklin County Hospital, Greenfield, by the Franklin County Public Health Association. X-rays are for diagnosis only. All case findings are referred to the family physician.

Complaints of various kinds brought to our attention were investigated through its departments.

The collections of rubbish were extended to West River Street from Briggs Street, westerly to include the homes up to the Gun Club Road. The collections this year were very satisfactory.

Signs were placed at the Town Dump reading, "No Trespassing except for disposals", "No fires set only by the caretaker", "This dump to be used solely by the citizens of Orange."

No epidemics occurred during the year. Several cases of communicable diseases were reported.

## Appointments:

Mr. Lewis C. Marble, Inspector of Slaughtering

Mr. Hollis H. Cleveland, Inspector of Milk

Mr. Vernon L. Burgess, (Athol), Inspector of Plumbing

Mr. Guy Spooner, Associate Plumbing Inspector

Mr. Norman Rivers, Collector of Rubbish and Caretaker of Town Dump

Mr. Hollis H. Cleveland, (new), Sanitary Agent

### **Brief Reports:**

March, 1954, I assumed the position as Plumbing Inspector for the Town of Orange. During the year, I made fifty-seven inspections. I am pleased to report that conditions have improved to some extent.

VERNON L. BURGESS

Mr. Hollis H. Cleveland, Milk Inspector, reports: "Once every month I take samples of milk from each dealer in Orange. These samples are tested for butter fat, total solids, bacteria and coliforms. There has been a steady trend to higher quality milk. I appreciate the cooperation given me by all concerned.

HAROLD R. MAHAR, M.D.

Chairman

MILES SPOONER

FLORENCE B. RYAN, R.N.

Secretary

# Report of the Town Accountant

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The thirty-ninth report of the Accounting Department covering the financial transactions of the Town of Orange for the year 1954 is herewith respectfully submitted:

## RECEIPTS

### GENERAL REVENUE — TAXES

#### Current Year:

Polls	\$ 3072 00	
Personal Property	23443 66	
Real Estate	285198 10	
	<hr/>	\$311713 76
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes		41308 68

#### Prior Years:

Polls	\$ 12 00	
Personal Property	2265 99	
Real Estate	26201 24	
	<hr/>	28479 23
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes		5698 03
Tax Title Redemptions		622 76
Tax Possessions		743 45

#### From State:

Income Taxes	\$11304 00	
Corporation Taxes	29839 46	
Meals Taxes	4119 40	
Reimbursement Loss of Taxes	446 00	
	<hr/>	45708 86

**Licenses and Permits:**

Liquor	\$5370 00	
Pistol Permits	54 00	
Common Victuallers	74 00	
Sunday	43 00	
Taxi	1 00	
Junk Collectors	85 00	
Used Car	45 00	
Automatic Amusement	145 00	
Hawkers and Peddlers	22 00	
Amusement	2 00	
Sunday Bowling	10 00	
New Car Dealers	5 00	
Sale of Firearms	5 00	
Lodging House	15 00	
Pin Ball Machine	60 00	
Gasoline Storage	8 00	
Fuel Oil Permits	4 00	
Auctioneers	2 00	
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Total Licenses and Permits		5950 00

**Fines and Forfeits:**

Court Fines	400 00
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**Grants from Federal Government:**

Old Age Assistance	\$60622 43	
Old Age Assistance		
Administration	217 06	
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Aid to Dependent Children	\$13115 37	
Aid to Dependent Children		
Administration	29 33	
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Disability Assistance	\$9705 97	
Disability Assistance		
Administration	29 92	
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Lunchrooms—Schools		3914 40

**Grants from State:**

Chapter 81	\$22565 20
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Chapter 90	14914 73	
School Aid (Chap. 70 G. L.)	46645 27	
Transportation—Schools	8959 56	
Vocational Education	4193 12	
New School Grant	19017 95	
	<hr/>	116295 83

**Grants from County:**

Chapter 90	\$2000 00	
Dog Taxes	1392 53	
	<hr/>	3392 53
Total General Revenue		<hr/> \$648022 61

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

**Special Assessments:**

Sewer Rentals 1954	\$1756 00	
Sewer Rentals Previous Years	99 00	
Classified Forest Land Tax	2 20	
	<hr/>	1857 20

COMMERCIAL REVENUE — DEPARTMENTAL

**General Government:**

Town Hall Rentals	\$770 00	
Tax Costs	410 10	
	<hr/>	1180 10

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

**Police Department:**

Use of Ambulance	\$1127 00
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**Fire Department:**

From other towns	350 25
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**Sealer of Weights and Measures:**

Sealer's Fees	96 25	
	<hr/>	1573 50

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

### Board of Health:

Milk Licenses	\$22 50
Alcohol Licenses	13 00
Plumbing Permits	72 00
Funeral Directors	4 00
Pasteurization Licenses	20 00
Ice Cream Manufacturer	15 00
Cabin Licenses	2 00
Oleo Licenses	7 00
Milk Samples	5 00
Reimbursement from Individuals	5 30

### Sewer Department:

New Connections	\$105 00
Labor—Cleaning	74 63

345 43

## HIGHWAYS

### Highway Department:

Machinery Rentals	\$ 348 13
Use of Machinery:	
Chapter 81	3275 80
Chapter 90	2191 45
Snow and Ice	1706 75
Sale of Materials	83 38
Sale of Trucks	600 00
Reimbursement for damage	52 69
Lease of land	25 00
Reimbursement for telephone	3 20

8286 40

## CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

### Old Age Assistance:

From State	\$59317 63
From cities and towns	735 88
Recoveries	751 00

### Aid to Dependent Children:

From State	\$11554 69
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**Disability Assistance:**

From State	\$6031 01
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**Welfare Department:**

From State	\$1292 02
From cities and towns	1030 66

**Veterans' Benefits:**

From State	\$5010 58	
From cities and towns	40 00	
From individuals	62 00	
	<hr/>	85825 47

**SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES****School Department:**

Tuition	\$7149 06
High School Athletic Fund	4027 45
Grade School Lunch receipts	5817 14
High School Lunch receipts	7915 82
Miscellaneous receipts	38 98

**Library Department:**

Wheeler Memorial Library:	
Cards and fines	\$340 92
North Orange Library:	
Cards and fines	15 09
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	25304 46

**UNCLASSIFIED****Unclassified:**

Airport rentals	\$1984 58	
Damage to airport runways	40 00	
Insurance reimbursement	14 00	
Certificates of Redemption	4 00	
Sale of real estate	1125 00	
	<hr/>	3167 58
Total Commercial Revenue	<hr/>	\$127540 14

## ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES

### Water Department:

Water Rates	\$32692 93	
Water Services	1959 62	
		34652 55

### Cemetery Department:

Burials	\$1076 00	
Care of Lots	474 50	
Sale of Lots	35 00	
Foundations	200 30	
Regrading	66 00	
Rent of device and green	112 00	
		1963 80

Total Enterprises and Cemeteries		\$36616 35
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## INTEREST AND DEBT

### Interest:

On taxes	\$ 896 65	
On tax titles	90 39	
Perpetual Care Funds	3098 16	
Alice S. Mann Fund	1010 00	
Goddard Park Fund	25 00	
Goddard Charity Fund	65 88	
On Special Account	100 76	
		5286 84

### Debt:

South Main St. Drainage	\$10000 00	
Temporary Loan	12000 00	
		22000 00

Total Interest and Debt		\$27286 84
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## AGENCY AND TRUST

### Agency:

Withholding Tax	\$28112 33	
Retirement Fund	5325 85	
Dog Licenses	1569 60	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	4454 65	
		39462 43

**Trust Funds:**

Central Cemetery	\$ 625 00	
South Cemetery	1505 00	
West Orange Cemetery	50 00	
Holtshire Cemetery	100 00	
	<hr/>	2280 00
Total Agency and Trust		<hr/> \$41742 43

**REFUNDS****Refunds:**

Selectmen's Salaries	\$150 00	
Fire Department	2 50	
Aid to Dependent Children	446 75	
Old Age Assistance	508 49	
Disability Assistance	180 22	
Welfare Department	48 30	
School Department	636 89	
Machinery Repair and Operation	4 80	
Park Department	9 43	
Teachers' Annuity Fund	37 50	
Total Refunds	<hr/>	\$2024 89

**RECAPITULATION**

Cash on hand January 1,1954	\$207337 37
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**Receipts:**

General Revenue	\$648022 61
Commercial Revenue	127540 14
Enterprise and Cemeteries	36616 35
Interest and Debt	27286 84
Agency and Trust	41742 43
Refunds	2024 89

Total Receipts	<hr/> 883233 26
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Total Receipts and Cash on hand	<hr/> \$1090570 63
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**PAYMENTS****GENERAL GOVERNMENT****Town Officers' Bonds:**

Town Clerk	\$ 7 50
Treasurer	216 00

Collector	420 75	
Collector's Clerk	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$649 25

**Selectmen's Department:**

Salaries		900 00
Moderator	\$ 10 00	
Stationery and Postage	52 12	
Blank Forms	95 52	
Telephone	128 70	
Supplies	56 98	
Posting Warrants	24 00	
Publishing Warrants	152 50	
Advertisements	95 31	
State Dues	35 00	
Servicing Typewriter	35 20	
Paint for Honor Roll	11 90	
Travel Expense	11 91	
	<hr/>	709 14

**Accounting Department:**

Salary		2897 00
Supplies	\$37 27	
Printing	10 75	
Postage	9 00	
Servicing Machines	35 45	
Telephone	6 25	
	<hr/>	98 72

**Treasurer's Department:**

Salary		928 00
Postage	\$58 00	
Supplies	31 81	
Blank Forms	29 09	
Telephone	13 30	
Servicing Machines	58 00	
Travel Expense	15 94	
Killing Dogs	14 00	
Burglary Insurance	67 50	
Certification of Notes	12 00	
Dues	2 00	
Wildcat Bounty	10 00	
Check Charges	25	
	<hr/>	311 89



**Foreclosure Expense:**

Supplies	\$ 1 48	
Advertising	22 50	
	<hr/>	23 98

**Tax Collector's Department:**

Salary		2488 00
Telephone	\$ 66 90	
Postage	250 00	
Tax Bills	176 25	
Blank Forms	21 78	
Supplies	31 33	
Books	37 20	
Dues	2 00	
Deputy's Bond	5 00	
Express	4 20	
	<hr/>	594 66

**Town Collector's Department:**

Clerk	1968 00
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**Assessors' Department:**

Salaries		1800 00
Clerk	\$2574 00	
Office Supplies	53 93	
Blank Forms	113 90	
Postage	45 00	
Transfer Expense	118 20	
Transportation	375 00	
Dues	24 00	
Directory	12 47	
Expense to Meeting	5 00	
Chair	39 50	
Subscription	18 00	
	<hr/>	3349 00

**Town Clerk's Department:**

Salary		1103 00
Telephone	\$72 20	
Blank Forms	4 55	
Supplies	25 00	

Postage	10 00	
Notices	14 00	
Oaths and Certificates	86 75	
Expense to Meetings	71 29	
Dues	17 50	
Directory	12 47	
Legislative Bulletin	10 00	
Service on Typewriter	11 95	
Repairs to Chair	15 00	
Express	1 80	
	<hr/>	352 51

#### **Election and Registration:**

Salaries		240 00
Clerical	\$ 60 00	
Election Officers	854 84	
Election Expense	38 75	
Registration Notices	44 00	
Voting Lists	152 65	
Listing Voters	382 75	
Blank Forms	69 38	
Supplies	35 05	
Printing	76 80	
Express	4 11	
	<hr/>	1718 33

#### **Planning Board:**

Dues	\$12 50	
Advertisement	3 00	
	<hr/>	15 50

#### **Town Counsel:**

Services for 1954		402 95
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#### **Town Hall Maintenance:**

Janitor	\$1572 75	
Fuel	1013 04	
Lights	718 04	
Repairs	644 06	
Supplies	82 79	
Laundry	25 90	
Insurance	332 17	

Flameproofing curtains, etc.	112 00	
Special Hall License	25 00	
Floor matting	59 25	
	<hr/>	4585 00
Total General Government		<hr/> \$25134 93

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### Police Department:

Police Officers		19194 98
Telephone	\$217 40	
Repairs	33 48	
Supplies	220 35	
Prisoners' Lunches	21 20	
Street Painting	106 70	
Investigation Expense	18 18	
Association Dues	5 00	
Accident Insurance	236 72	
Directories	16 47	
Notice	4 50	
Repairs to Traffic Lights	442 40	
	<hr/>	1322 40
Uniforms		600 00

## MUNICIPAL CAR AND AMBULANCE

### Car:

Drivers	\$ 8 40	
Gas and oil	782 32	
Repairs	206 80	
Tires and tubes	146 05	
Registration and Insurance	63 00	
Inspection	1 00	
Supplies	27 92	
	<hr/>	1235 49

### Ambulance:

Drivers and helpers	\$708 40
Gas and oil	117 66
Repairs	194 00
Supplies	31 53
Tires	10 10

Laundry	63 91	
Insurance	130 50	
	<hr/>	1256 10

#### **Fire Department:**

Engineers		\$ 756 00
Drivers		6480 00
Firemen		5432 64
Trucks—repairs and operation	475 20	
Fuel	861 60	
Lights	216 92	
Telephone	142 45	
Repairs	249 84	
Supplies	208 25	
Laundry	41 47	
Apparatus	524 38	
Accident Insurance Policy	232 75	
Directory	12 47	
Building Insurance	50 03	
Lunches during fires	62 76	
State inspections	1 00	
	<hr/>	3079 02

#### **Fire Alarm Maintenance:**

Labor	\$735 96	
Power	83 04	
Supplies	39 79	
Wire	33 57	
Alarm box repaired	36 37	
Express	4 26	
	<hr/>	933 00

**New Car — Police Department** 345 00

**Insurance Town Employees** 3369 88

#### **Sealer of Weights and Measures:**

Salary	\$194 99	
Equipment	5 01	
	<hr/>	200 00

**Moth Suppression:**

Superintendent	\$488 15	
Labor	189 00	
Use of Truck	190 00	
Spraying Trees	300 00	
Use of Chain Saw	40 00	
	<hr/>	1207 15

**Tree Warden:**

Superintendent	\$713 70	
Labor	424 00	
Use of Power Saw	261 00	
Equipment	160 87	
Use of Truck	110 00	
Supplies	89 48	
Repairs to Saw	59 55	
Express	1 97	
	<hr/>	1820 57

**Dutch Elm Disease Control:**

Superintendent	\$458 35	
Labor	40 00	
Equipment	6 35	
Use of Power Saw	100 30	
Use of Truck	195 00	
	<hr/>	800 00

**Forest Fire Warden:**

Warden	\$ 50 00	
Firemen	782 00	
Equipment	137 81	
Extra Help	52 00	
Lunches for firemen	26 60	
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**Civil Defense:**

Travel Expense	\$52 27	
Telephone	14 94	
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Total Protection of Persons and Property	<hr/>	\$49147 85
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## HEALTH AND SANITATION

### Board of Health:

Salaries of Board	300 00
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#### Care of Dump and Rubbish Collection:

Contract	\$3042 00	
Use of Tractor	1337 50	
Gravel	217 40	
Repairs to bridge	10 00	
		4606 90

#### Expense:

Office Supplies	\$ 11 12	
Shick Test	60 00	
Hospital—Contagious Diseases	330 75	
Transportation Contagious Diseases	5 00	
Plumbing Inspector	215 00	
Milk Inspector	229 44	
Milk Samples Tested	87 45	
License Book	7 07	
Bat Control Project	78 50	
Sanitary Agent	20 98	
Vital Statistics Returns	373 00	
Advertisements	46 05	
Postage	32 00	
		1496 36
<b>Inspector of Slaughtering</b>		376 50

### Inspector of Animals:

Wages	\$106 50	
Travel	31 80	
Postage	32	
Telephone	3 38	
		142 00

<b>Visiting Nurse</b>	4000 00
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### Poison Ivy Control:

Labor	\$145 75	
Supplies	43 40	
Use of Car	12 50	
		201 65



**Sewer Maintenance:**

Labor	\$916 30	
Pipe	47 04	
Equipment	37 50	
Supplies	79 27	
Rent of Equipment	27 00	
Gravel	14 06	
Repairs to Septic Tank	51 65	
Gasoline	11 39	
Express	5 40	
	<hr/>	1189 61

**Hamilton Street Sewer Extension:**

Labor	\$466 79	
Pipe	122 56	
Oakum	8 00	
Cement	37 75	
Manhole Covers and Frames	69 00	
Gravel	5 61	
Cement Blocks	59 66	
Road Compounds	109 84	
Gasoline	11 40	
Express	4 69	
	<hr/>	895 30

**Hayden Street Sewer:**

Labor	\$870 44	
Pipe	254 80	
Oakum	15 75	
Manhole Covers and Frames	34 50	
Gravel	99 75	
Cement	6 25	
Road Compounds	103 78	
Cement Blocks	29 83	
Gasoline	27 95	
Express	2 35	
	<hr/>	1445 40

Total Health and Sanitation	<hr/>	\$14653 72
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**HIGHWAYS****Municipal Building:**

Fuel	\$413 62
Lights	259 92

Telephone	162 78	
Repairs	121 86	
Supplies	52 30	
Insurance	133 90	
Express	1 90	
Labor	89 75	
	<hr/>	1236 03

#### **Snow and Ice:**

Labor	\$6264 46	
Use of Equipment	1706 75	
Rent of Equipment	494 00	
Sand	837 95	
Salt	495 00	
Picks and Tools	6 50	
Lunches	14 95	
Repairs to Snow Fence	6 00	
Advertisements	15 25	
	<hr/>	9840 86

#### **Road Machinery Repair and Operation:**

Labor	\$2512 49	
Gas and oil	2540 78	
Parts	2098 71	
Repairs	528 28	
Equipment	412 85	
Supplies	387 04	
Tires	672 90	
Registration and Insurance	1030 05	
Freight and Express	45 34	
	<hr/>	10228 44

#### **Chapter 81:**

Labor	\$14730 02	
Use of Equipment	3307 80	
Rent of Equipment	750 02	
Stone	2204 96	
Sand and Gravel	3587 45	
Road Compounds	9814 75	
Culverts	379 40	
Fencing and posts	100 60	
	<hr/>	34875 00

**Chapter 90 Maintenance:**

Labor	\$1148 07	
Use of Equipment	482 70	
Stone	917 23	
Sand and Gravel	22 81	
Road Compounds	1929 19	
	<hr/>	4500 00

**Chapter 90 Holtshire Road:**

Labor	\$1980 37	
Use of Equipment	1094 90	
Rent of Equipment	1752 95	
Sand and Gravel	1082 97	
Reinforcing Rods	121 72	
Cement	43 75	
Guard Rail	1423 34	
	<hr/>	7500 00

**Chapter 90 Harrington Meadow Bridge:**

Contract		13140 00
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**Chapter 90 North Orange Road:**

Labor	\$1683 43	
Use of Equipment	531 40	
Rent of Equipment	1025 65	
Stone	77 48	
Sand and Gravel	1016 88	
Road Compounds	452 54	
Culverts	212 62	
	<hr/>	5000 00

**Chapter 90 South Main Street Drainage:**

Contract	\$17329 46	
Labor	353 66	
Use of Equipment	383 59	
Catch Basins	1664 25	
Supplies	7 94	
Conduit Pipe	104 92	
Express	15 01	
Gravel	8 75	
Cold Patch	64 05	
	<hr/>	19931 63

**Highway Department:**

Labor	\$6487 33	
Equipment	254 83	
Supplies	693 71	
Sand and Gravel	415 72	
Road Compounds	878 02	
Cement	85 75	
Fuel Oil	36 70	
Repairing Tools and Equipment	33 75	
Office Supplies	44 45	
Rent of Equipment and Blasting	117 55	
Signs and Posts	262 56	
Reinforcing Rods	38 95	
Petition Fees	20 00	
Repairs to Adding Machine	26 00	
Postage and Box Rent	5 52	
Welding	7 00	
Express	2 17	
Sawing Logs into Plank	8 00	
	<hr/>	9418 01

**West River and Briggs Streets Drainage:**

Labor	\$1808 75	
Culverts	3445 22	
Rent of Equipment	775 75	
Catch Basins	466 08	
Supplies	234 22	
Surveying	55 50	
Gasoline	28 81	
Curb Stones	56 00	
Cutting pipe	12 00	
Express	16 66	
	<hr/>	6898 39

**King Street Drainage:**

Labor	\$1679 22
Cement	43 45
Rent of Equipment	681 00
Catch Basins	710 65
Culverts	2202 00
Road Compounds	169 34
Supplies	109 08

Gasoline	12 90	
Freight	6 70	
	<hr/>	5614 34

**Flood Control:**

Supervisor	\$ 75 00	
Labor	165 32	
Power	92 50	
Repairs	138 25	
Supplies	85 00	
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**Street Lights:**

Street Lights	\$7761 85	
Traffic Lights	108 80	
	<hr/>	7870 65

**Public Drinking Fountain:**

Servicing	15 25
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<b>Fence Viewers</b>	50 00
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**Machinery Purchase:**

Post Hole Digger	\$ 252 00	
Pick-Up Truck	1400 00	
Two Ton Trucks	5600 00	
Sand Spreader	1425 00	
	<hr/>	8677 00

<b>Survey of New Streets</b>	37 50
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<b>Snow Removal Equipment</b>	12250 00
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Total Highways	<hr/>	\$157639 17
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CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

**Eastern Franklin Welfare District**

Administration	4000 00
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**Old Age Assistance — Town Appropriation:**

Cash	\$63276 46	
Doctors	5166 64	
Drugs	2300 55	
Glasses	297 70	
Dental	82 00	
Transportation	100 00	
Clothing	12 00	
Hospital	3017 19	
Nurse	244 22	
Board	6252 55	
Burials	598 00	
Other Towns	2444 94	
	<hr/>	83792 25

**Old Age Assistance — Federal Grant:**

Cash	\$54705 79	
Doctors	3977 54	
Drugs	1531 52	
Glasses	212 00	
Dental	270 00	
Hospital	2487 68	
Transportation	170 75	
Nurse	152 26	
Board	4950 67	
Moving	34 50	
Clothing	8 39	
Fuel	11 95	
	<hr/>	68512 96

**Aid to Dependent Children — Town Appropriation:**

Cash	\$18896 96	
Doctors	795 75	
Drugs	200 01	
Glasses	56 00	
Dental	470 00	
Transportation	10 00	
Hospital	446 00	
Nurse	7 00	
	<hr/>	20881 72



**Aid to Dependent Children — Federal Grant:**

Cash	\$13115 97	
Doctors	511 00	
Drugs	129 48	
Glasses	74 00	
Dental	154 00	
Hospital	74 00	
Trucking	48 84	
Care	55 76	
	<hr/>	14163 05

**Disability Assistance — Town Appropriation:**

Cash	\$8239 53	
Doctors	1362 00	
Drugs	566 92	
Glasses	8 00	
Dental	92 00	
Hospital	766 90	
Transportation	25 00	
Moving	8 00	
Nurse	38 50	
Surgical Garments	31 00	
Shoes and Clothing	15 00	
	<hr/>	11152 85

**Disability Assistance — Federal Grant:**

Cash	\$6912 62	
Doctors	677 00	
Drugs	323 98	
Hospital	54 00	
Clothing	15 00	
Nurse	73 70	
	<hr/>	8056 30

**Welfare Board Salaries** 600 00

**Welfare Department:**

Cash	\$2775 89
Groceries	1297 70
Fuel	151 17
Board	907 81
Doctors	348 50

Drugs	88 41	
Shoes and Clothing	227 73	
Rent	116 43	
Hospital	681 79	
Nursing Care	32 50	
Transportation	47 25	
Burial	15 00	
Dental	3 00	
Glasses	18 00	
Other Towns	1018 29	
	<hr/>	7829 47

#### **Memorial Hall Maintenance:**

Janitor	\$990 00	
Lights	37 80	
Fuel	375 87	
Repairs	20 77	
Supplies	39 24	
Insurance	24 16	
Removing Ashes	12 00	
	<hr/>	1499 84

#### **Veterans' Benefits — Administration:**

Agent	\$350 00	
Clerk	350 00	
Telephone	127 65	
Postage	44 00	
Travel and Expense	37 60	
Directory	12 47	
Grave Markers	18 76	
Dues	14 00	
Trucking	2 50	
	<hr/>	956 98

#### **Veterans' Benefits:**

Cash	\$10474 45	
Groceries	749 00	
Medical	833 50	
Drugs	408 50	
Fuel	1880 42	
Board	1375 28	
Glasses	105 75	

Dental	109 00	
Hospital	757 00	
Rent	20 00	
Transportation	25 00	
Clothing	12 00	
Hospital Bed	60 00	
Moving Stove	8 00	
Other Towns	15 50	
	<hr/>	16833 40

**Veterans' Service, District of E. Franklin** 2766 58

**Goddard Charity:**

Cash	\$20 00	
Medical	65 88	
Transportation	6 30	
	<hr/>	92 18
Total Charities and Soldiers' Benefits	<hr/>	\$241137 58

**School Department — Administration Expense:**

Superintendent	\$5941 59	
Clerk	1830 15	
Truant Officer	100 00	
Travel Expense	411 84	
Office Supplies	10 58	
Printing and Advertising	27 40	
Postage	25 90	
Dues	6 00	
Directory	12 47	
Subscription	3 00	
Notice	5 60	
	<hr/>	8374 53

**School Department — Expense of Instruction:**

<b>Teachers' Salaries:</b>		
High School	\$51111 12	
Elementary	95768 94	
Substitutes High School	552 50	
Substitutes Elementary	1048 50	
Supervisors	8169 76	
Text Books	5298 55	
Supplies	7451 53	

Subscription	240 65	
Band Expense	968 57	
Driver Education	83 42	
Postage and Express	74 90	
Expense to Meeting	3 00	
Dues	30 00	
	<hr/>	170801 44

**School Department—Expense of Operation:**

Janitors—High School	\$6136 16	
Janitors—Elementary	6654 04	
Telephone	686 21	
Lights	2912 47	
Repairs	8112 29	
Supplies	1757 83	
Fuel	8396 04	
Trucking	84 83	
Gravel	12 00	
Mowing	8 00	
Express	8 80	
	<hr/>	34768 67

**School Department—Auxiliary Agencies:**

Transportation	\$16384 35	
School Physician	480 00	
School Nurse	1760 00	
Health Supplies	83 96	
Tuition Trade Schools	4942 12	
Household Arts	1002 26	
Graduation	301 06	
Insurance	1802 41	
Lunchroom Manager	768 00	
Expense to Meeting	34 22	
	<hr/>	27558 38

**School Department—New Equipment:**

Filing Case	\$ 54 00	
Floor Machine	295 00	
Desks	919 43	
Safe Unit	190 00	
	<hr/>	1458 43

**School Survey Committee:**

Clerical	22 19
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**Grade School Lunchroom:**

Supervisor and help	\$2294 00	
Milk and groceries	4000 12	
Supplies	398 37	
Equipment	7 50	
Laundry	2 99	
Trucking	48 75	
Express	84 26	
Servicing Ranges	8 98	
	<hr/>	6844 97

**High School Lunchroom:**

Supervisor	\$1392 00	
Student Help	600 00	
Milk and Groceries	5106 41	
Ice Cream and Candy	1538 05	
Supplies	157 12	
Equipment	1027 07	
Laundry	17 75	
Trucking	34 26	
Express	96 66	
	<hr/>	9969 32

**High School Athletic Fund:**

Referees and Umpires	\$ 980 00
Ticket Takers	185 00
Police Officers	46 00
Janitors	82 00
Supplies	683 65
Equipment	2443 64
Printing and Advertising	125 50
Transportation	735 06
Trucking	22 50
Telephone	102 43
Laundering, Cleaning and Repairing Uniforms	259 03
Medical	23 00
Guarantee and Reg. Fee	52 50
Insurance Football Players	139 50

Sound Service	74 00	
Labor on Field	36 46	
Postage	1 18	
	<hr/>	5991 45

#### **Library Department:**

Librarian	\$2225 00	
Assistant Librarians	2804 40	
Janitor	1320 00	
North Orange Library:		
Librarian	660 00	
Assistant Librarian	14 00	
Janitor	330 00	
	<hr/>	7353 40
Books	\$1620 70	
Periodicals	256 65	
Supplies	203 37	
Rebinding Books	137 20	
Fuel	663 62	
Lights	278 06	
Repairs	410 17	
Insurance	188 42	
Directory	12 47	
Shrubbery and Lawn Work	457 05	
Trucking	9 50	
Boiler Inspection	10 00	
Pruning Trees	40 60	
	<hr/>	4287 81

#### **Moore-Leland Library:**

Walk and Steps	\$ 76 75
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#### **Garden Exhibits:**

School	\$200 00	
Adult	100 00	
	<hr/>	300 00

Total Education and Libraries 

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\$277807 34

### **RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED**

#### **Parks and Playgrounds:**

Superintendent	\$ 75 00
Labor	1675 63



Repairs	401 99	
Equipment	42 35	
Supplies	324 54	
Lights	59 60	
Christmas Tree Lights	32 50	
Sand	21 00	
Repair pump and well cover	150 00	
Cleaning well	22 80	
Trucking	53 19	
Grading and mowing	143 50	
Subscription	7 50	
	<hr/>	3009 60

**Muzzey Field Improvement:**

Labor		77 66
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**Airport Maintenance:**

Labor	\$ 467 60	
Tractor rental	559 09	
Tractor maintenance	102 43	
Building repairs	620 71	
Fuel	210 31	
Lights	33 80	
Telephone	44 53	
Supplies and Equipment	116 19	
Water	23 50	
Insurance	313 35	
P. O. Box Rent	4 50	
Express	11 03	
	<hr/>	2507 04

**Radio Homing Beacon—Airport:**

Consultation, telephone, etc.		49 90
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**Care of Town Clock:**

Lights	\$75 80	
Care	60 00	
Repairs	14 20	
	<hr/>	150 00

<b>Goddard Park Fund</b>		25 00
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**Memorial Day:**

Music	\$174 00	
Address	15 00	
Wreaths	40 50	
Flags	72 00	
Lunches	20 00	
Transportation	40 00	
	<hr/>	361 50

**Town Reports** 890 00

**Band Concerts** 700 00

**Music North Orange** 65 00

**Parking Lots** 153 73

**Purchase of Land — Martin Heirs** 350 00

**Fish and Game Distribution:**

Rabbits 399 00

**Life Guard and Swimming Instructor:**

Life Guard	\$300 00	
Swimming Instructor	141 30	
	<hr/>	441 30

**Playground Instructor** 250 00

**Co. F. Rifle Range Expense** 100 00

**Alice S. Mann Fund Income:**

Bleachers	\$1000 00	
Flowers	10 00	
	<hr/>	1010 00

**Retired Pensions** 1200 00

**Finance Committee Expense:**

Printing	\$59 35	
Dues	10 00	
	<hr/>	69 35

**1953 Bills:**

Fire Department	\$22 43	
Tree Warden	5 40	
Park Department	30 51	
Water Department	11 34	
	<hr/>	69 68
Total Recreation and Unclassified		<hr/> \$11878 76

**ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES****Water Department:**

Commissioners' Salaries	\$ 300 00
Wages	11718 48

**Expense:**

Power and Lights	\$4131 05	
Telephone	302 62	
Fuel	563 02	
Tools and Supplies	899 58	
Postage	260 22	
Repairs	748 48	
Tires and Truck Repairs	149 94	
Gas and Oil	229 80	
Insurance	407 74	
Director	12 47	
Pipe rent	5 00	
Bid Notice	10 65	
Subscription	4 00	
P. O. Box Rent	2 25	
Trucking	1 00	
	<hr/>	7628 82

**Equipment:**

Meters	\$ 963 67	
Pipe and Fittings	1228 04	
Copper Tubing	503 82	
Hydrants and Repairs	253 33	
Express	22 88	
Delivering Freight	13 50	
	<hr/>	2985 24

**Walnut Hill Water Extension:**

Contract	\$3780 00	
Pipe and Fittings	2977 09	
Hydrants	466 90	
Bid Notice	3 50	
Freight	5 61	
	<hr/>	7233 10

**Gate and Stone Work — Lake Mattawa:**

Gate	1550 00
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**Water Survey Committee:**

Engineers	\$ 868 20	
Test Holes and Pump Test	3293 50	
Removal of Trees	35 00	
	<hr/>	4196 70

**Cemetery Department:**

Commissioners' Salaries		\$ 150 00
Wages		6972 95
Telephone	\$ 50 55	
Postage	41 00	
Truck Repairs	36 23	
Gas and Oil	113 95	
Insurance	66 40	
Equipment	185 45	
Supplies	273 74	
Equipment Repairs	189 15	
Lights	7 19	
Loam	110 50	
Removing Loam	60 00	
Plants	98 50	
	<hr/>	1242 66

**Goddard Cemetery Fund:**

Plants	10 00	
Total Enterprises and Cemeteries	<hr/>	\$43987 95

**INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT****Interest:**

Water Loans	\$ 338 75
New School Loan	2812 50

Ledge Excavation New School	75 00	
Temporary Loans	27 00	
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<b>Maturing Debt:</b>		
Water Mains Loan	\$ 7000 00	
New School Loan	25000 00	
Ledge New School	2000 00	
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Total Interest and Maturing Debt	<hr/>	\$37253 25

## AGENCY, TRUST AND REFUNDS

### Agency:

Withholding Tax	\$35380 82	
Retirement Fund	5325 85	
County Tax	21072 30	
Retirement Assessment	4004 23	
Auditing Tax	1629 68	
State Parks and Reservation Tax	1089 87	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	4475 35	
Dog Licenses	1569 60	
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths	778 87	
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### Trust Funds:

Central Cemetery	\$ 775 00	
South Cemetery	1760 00	
Holtshire Cemetery	100 00	
West Orange Cemetery	50 00	
Stabilization Fund	30000 00	
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### Refunds:

Poll Taxes	\$ 8 00	
Real Estate Taxes	448 01	
Personal Property Taxes	19 25	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	2393 15	
Withholding Tax	22 00	
Water Department	39 10	
Teachers' Retirement	37 50	
	<hr/>	2967 01

Total Agency, Trust and Refunds	<hr/> \$110978 58
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## RECAPITULATION

### Payments for the Year 1954:

General Government	\$ 25134	93
Protection of Persons and Property	49147	85
Health and Sanitation	14653	72
Highways	157639	17
Charities and Soldiers' Benefits	241137	58
Education and Libraries	277807	34
Recreation and Unclassified	11878	76
Enterprises and Cemeteries	43987	95
Interest and Maturing Debt	37253	25
Agency, Trust and Refunds	110978	58
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		\$969619 13
Cash on Hand January 1, 1954	\$207337	37
Total Receipts 1954	883233	26
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		\$1090570 63
Total Expenditures 1954		969619 13
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Cash on Hand December 31, 1954		\$120951 50



# Balance Sheet

## TOWN OF ORANGE

December 31, 1954

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
Cash	\$120697 62	Cemetery Trust Funds	\$ 245 00
Non Revenue Cash	253 88	Sale of Cemetery Lots	794 00
	<u>\$120951 50</u>	Road Machinery Earnings Reserve	8414 32
Accounts Receivable:		Sale of Real Estate	2525 00
Taxes:		Federal Grants:	
Levy of 1949	\$ 2 00	Old Age Assistance	\$5609 50
Levy of 1950	50 00	Old Age Assistance Adm.	574 33
Levy of 1951	792 25	Aid to Dependent Children	2941 18
Levy of 1952	4481 22	Aid to Dependent Children	
Levy of 1953	11942 14	Adm.	71 53
Levy of 1954	34003 79	Disability Assistance	1724 16
	<u>51271 40</u>	Disability Assistance Adm.	71 70
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:			
Levy of 1949	\$ 2 00	Temporary Loans	10992 40
Levy of 1950	20 00	Tailings Account	12000 00
Levy of 1951	51 48	Overlay Reserve	142 65
Levy of 1952	37 83	1949 Overlay	10608 04
Levy of 1953	319 89	1950 Overlay	\$ 2 00
Levy of 1954	7947 44	1951 Overlay	50 00
	<u>8378 64</u>	1953 Overlay	436 97
		1954 Overlay	1521 61
Special Assessments:			1392 78
Sewer Rentals:		State Parks and Reservation Tax	3403 36
Levy of 1952	\$ 8 00	Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths	4 29
Levy of 1953	20 00		219 45

Levy of 1954	92 00	County Tax	3456 33
Taxes Estate of Deceased Persons		Revenue Accounts:	
Departmental Accounts:		Motor Vehicle Excise	120 00
Selectmen's Licenses	\$ 4 00	Tax Revenue	249 68
Town Hall Rentals	120 00	Special Assessment Revenue	\$ 8378 64
Fire Department	42 00	Departmental Revenue	120 00
Municipal Car and		Water Revenue	8049 39
Ambulance	745 00		11945 69
Board of Health	2 50	Tax Possessions Revenue	28493 72
Sewer Department	35 78	State and County Aid to	474 78
Highway Department	28 12	Highways Revenue	
Road Machinery Rentals	26 20	Tax Title Revenue	24250 00
Airport Rentals	310 00	Taxes Estates of Deceased	2184 18
Welfare Department	729 84	Persons Revenue	
Old Age Assistance	221 41	Revenue Appropriations Balances Forwarded:	249 68
Aid to Dependent Children	3515 04	Civil Defense	\$ 320 50
Veterans' Benefits	11 00	Hamilton St. Sewer Ext.	163 89
School Department	1646 00	Chapter 90:	
Cemetery Department	612 50	Harrington Meadow Bridge	6860 00
		South Main St. Drainage	4068 37
Water Department:		Mattawa Road Drainage	3600 00
Water Rates	\$10606 83	King St. Drainage	755 66
Water Services	1338 86	Survey of New Streets	12 50
		Drinking Fountain Cooling	
Tax Titles		System	400 00
Tax Possessions		High School Lunchroom	665 50
State Aid to Highways		High School Athletic Fund	629 06
		Grade School Lunchroom	1959 10

County Aid to Highways	6500 00	School Survey and Building Committee	4977 81
Trust Fund Income to be withdrawn:		Leland Moore Library Committee	167 11
Goddard Charity Fund	36 30	Muzzey Field Improvement	72 34
1952 Overlay	120 00	Radio Homing Beacon Airport	2950 10
1955 Revenue	10614 50	Gate and Stonework Lake Mattawa	950 00
	<u>\$241981 33</u>	Water Supply and Dev. Committee	1533 30
			<u>30085 24</u>
		Non Revenue Appropriations	
		Balances Forwarded:	253 88
		Moore-Leland Library Fund	103185 01
		Surplus Revenue	<u>\$241981 33</u>
		MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS	
Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$211000 00	Daniel Shays Water Loan 1949	\$ 15000 00
		Water Mains Extension Loan 1950	7000 00
		New Elementary School	175000 00
		Ledge Excavation New School	4000 00
		South Main St. Drainage	10000 00
	<u>\$211000 00</u>		<u>\$211000 00</u>
		TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS	
		Alice S. Mann Fund	\$21420 42
		Asula P. Goddard Charity Fund	5327 16

Asula P. Goddard Library Fund	2360	92
Mae Alice Mann Library Fund	2114	90
George A. Whipple Library Fund	515	71
Sadie M. Orcutt Library Fund	4229	85
Addie J. Stratton Library Fund	174	61
Lizzie E. Read Library Fund	125	13
Marion S. Fowler Library Fund	230	21
Asula P. Goddard Library Fund	1007	38
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	110652	84
Asula P. Goddard Cemetery Fund	1856	33
Henry L. Moore Cemetery Fund	1135	53
Stabilization Fund	31048	52
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	\$182199	51

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities

\$182199 51

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\$182199 51

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH B. SMITH

Town Accountant

# Report of State Audit

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Mr. Herman B. Dine  
Director of Accounts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Orange for the period from December 13, 1953, the date of the previous examination, to December 18, 1954, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing town funds or sending out bills for collection, were examined, checked, and verified by comparison with the records of the town accountant.

The books and accounts of the town accountant were examined and checked in detail. The ledger accounts were analyzed, the receipts as recorded were checked with the treasurer's record of receipts, the payments were compared with the warrants approved by the selectmen, and the appropriation accounts were checked with the town clerk's records of appropriations voted by the town.

The necessary adjusting entries were made, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on December 18, 1954.

It was noted that contracts for the purchase of equipment made in 1954 were not in the custody of the town accountant. In this connection, attention is called to Section 57, Chapter 41, General Laws, which provides that all contracts of the town shall be in the custody of the town accountant.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The receipts, as recorded, were checked with the records of the departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were compared with the treasury warrants approved by the selectmen. The cash book additions were verified, and the cash balance on December 18, 1954 was

proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with statements furnished by the banks of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The records of payroll deductions for Federal Taxes, county retirement system, and Blue Cross and Blue Shield were examined and checked. The deductions were listed, the payments to the proper agencies were verified, and the balances in the general treasury on December 18, 1954 were proved with the accountant's ledger controls.

The tax title register in the custody of the treasurer was analyzed and checked with the accounts of the town collector and the town accountant, and with the records of the Registry of Deeds. The amounts received on account of redemptions were checked and the balances were listed and proved with the accountant's ledger.

It is recommended that foreclosure proceedings be instituted on all tax titles held over two years as required by law.

It was noted that the treasurer has in many instances failed to record the purchasers' deeds for the sale of tax possessions as required by the provisions of Section 77A, Chapter 60, General Laws.

The payments on account of maturing debt and interest were compared with the amounts falling due during the period of the audit and with the cancelled securities and coupons on file.

The savings bank books representing the investment of trust and investment funds were examined and listed. The bequests and income were proved, and the withdrawals were verified by comparison with the treasurer's record of receipts and with the accountant's ledger.

The books and accounts of the town collector were examined and checked in detail. The accounts outstanding at the time of the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitment lists of tax, excise, assessment, departmental and water accounts, were audited and proved with the assessors' warrants and with the commitments received from the several departments. The recorded collections were checked, the payments to the town treasurer were verified, the abatements as recorded were compared with the assessors' and other departmental records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved with the accountant's ledger.

Attention is again called to the taxes outstanding as far back



as 1949 and the open departmental accounts dating back to 1934, and it is recommended that a determined effort be made to effect a settlement of all delinquent accounts.

The appropriations, as listed from the town clerk's records of town meetings, were compared with the aggregate amount raised in the determination of the 1954 tax rate.

The financial records of the town clerk were examined and checked. The recorded receipts for dog and sporting licenses were checked with the record of licenses issued, the payments to the town treasurer and to the Division of Fisheries and Game were verified, and the cash on hand December 18, 1954 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the depository and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The surety bonds of the town clerk, treasurer, collector, and deputy collector for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of licenses and permits issued by the board of selectmen were checked with the records of licenses issued, the abatements were checked with the selectmen's records, and the payments to the treasurer were verified.

The recorded receipts of the sealer of weights and measures were compared with the record of work performed, and the payments to the treasurer were verified.

The accounts of the dog officer were examined and the payments by the treasurer were checked with his reports. It was noted that the town has failed for several years to certify to the county treasurer for reimbursements on account of payments to the dog officer.

The recorded collections of the school lunch and athletic programs were checked and the payments to the treasurer were verified.

The recorded collections of fines of the Wheeler Memorial and North Orange Branch libraries were examined and checked, the payments to the treasurer were verified, and the cash on hand December 31, 1954 was proved by actual count.

The books and accounts of the treasurer of the Eastern Franklin Veterans' Services District were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were checked with the assessments made against the member towns of the district, while the payments for salaries, administration expenses, and Federal taxes were checked

with the vouchers on file.

The cash book additions were verified, and the cash balance on December 18, 1954 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement received from the depository and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The surety bond of the district treasurer was examined and found to be in proper form.

There are appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax, excise, assessment and departmental accounts, as well as schedules showing the transactions and condition of the trust and investment funds.

For the cooperation received from all officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ

Assistant Director of Accounts

**Annual Report  
of the  
School  
Department**





# Report of School Committee

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## SCHOOL OFFICERS

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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

<b>Dr. Harold R. Mahar, Chairman</b> 1 High Street	Term expires 1956
<b>Mr. John F. Hart, Secretary</b> 134 Pleasant Street	Term expires 1956
<b>Mrs. Margaret Magee</b> Holtshire Road	Term expires 1955
<b>Mr. John P. Rieg</b> 36 Chase Street	Term expires 1955
<b>Mr. Wales Willard</b> 49 West Myrtle Street	Term expires 1957
<b>Mrs. Emma Woodrow</b> 199 South Main Street	Term expires 1957

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

First Monday of each month at 8:00 P.M.

at Central School

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Edward C. Hempel

Deceased December 6, 1954

Telephone, Office 57

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday

8:00 A.M. — 11:45 A.M.

1:00 P.M. — 5:00 P.M.

### SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. Kirke L. Alexander

22 Grove Street

### SCHOOL NURSES

Mrs. Louise Egan, R.N.

Mrs. Helen Johnson, R.N.



## STAFF CHANGES

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The following teacher was transferred last September:

Mrs. Bessie Desseau from Dexter Park 6A to Dexter Park 3A

The following high school teachers left their jobs to accept similar ones elsewhere:

Mr. Douglas MacKenzie — English and Spanish

Mr. William Phelon — Biology and Science

In the grade schools the following teachers left to accept other positions:

Mr. Lloyd Matthews — Grade 7, Social Studies, Hygiene, Central

Mr. John Magee — Grade 7, English and Literature, Central

Mr. Urho Rannila — Grade 5, Central

Mrs. Genie Dubar — Grade 1A, Cheney

Mrs. Greta Ferrari — Grades 1, 2, 3 Gale-Brooks

Miss Helen Cupak — Art Instructor

### NEW APPOINTMENTS — HIGH SCHOOL

Apolos Kalogeros — English and Spanish

Richard Sine — Biology, General Science II

Leonard Rice — Civics, Law, Business Practice

Frances Rich — English, Civics, Girls' Basketball

#### Central School

Raymond Waters — Grade 7, Social Studies, Hygiene

Jean Finnegan (Mrs.) — Grade 7, English, Literature

Ruth Davis (Mrs.) — Grade 5

#### Cheney School

Verlie Ufford (Miss) — Grade 1A

#### Gale-Brooks School

Mayme Luman (Mrs.) — Grades 1, 2, 3

Miss Helen Cupak, Supervisor of Drawing resigned in June; this vacancy was filled by the appointment of Stephen Maniatty.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

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1954 - 1955 School Year

### FIRST TERM

All schools re-open Wednesday, September 8, 1954  
Schools close — Wednesday, September 15 — Franklin County Fair  
Schools close Friday, October 8 — Teachers' Convention  
Schools close Monday, October 11  
Schools close Tuesday, October 12 — Columbus Day  
Schools close Thursday, November 11 — Armistice Day  
Schools close at noon Wednesday, November 24 — Thanksgiving  
Recess  
Schools re-open Monday, November 29  
Schools close at noon Thursday, December 23 — Vacation—1 week

### SECOND TERM

Schools re-open Monday, January 3, 1955  
Schools close Friday, February 18, 1955  
Schools close Friday, February 18, 1955 — Vacation—1 week

### THIRD TERM

Schools re-open Monday, February 28, 1955  
Schools close April 8 — Good Friday  
Schools close Friday, April 15, 1955 — Vacation—1 week

### FOURTH TERM

Schools re-open Monday, April 25, 1955  
Schools close Monday, May 30 — Memorial Day  
Elementary Schools close June 10, 1955 — Summer Vacation  
High School closes Friday, June 24, 1955 — Summer Vacation

## ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL

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This is my seventh annual report as Principal of Orange High School.

The following high points of the past year are worthy of note:

1. Sixty-one seniors were graduated Thursday evening, June 24, 1954. Twenty-five of the graduates are now engaged in further schooling of an advanced nature.

2. An increased testing program under Mr. H. William Hammond, assistant principal, was implemented as part of our efforts to offer the students a further improvement in our guidance program. Every student in the school has one or more sessions of guidance with the principal or the assistant principal during the year. In addition, we have added a course in orientation for freshmen designed to acquaint the beginners in high school with the regular routine of the school, to provide opportunities for them to seek information regarding courses, and to furnish the students with the chance to investigate possible future plans. It also provides the school with the opportunity to test the incoming groups more fully both mentally and educationally.

3. Thirty-eight students were furnished Driver Training under the direction of Mr. Francis McSweeney. All of them passed the road test. The second year of instruction was started in September and it is expected that thirty-eight more students will be graduated and passed. I wish to commend Mr. McSweeney for the excellent results achieved in this program.

4. The program within the English classes was further strengthened with the official appointment of Mrs. Margaret L. Ryan as head of the English Department. This has resulted in a more carefully coordinated department with more definite objectives for all classes.

5. New textbooks were adopted for classes in English, Civics, French I, and II, Typewriting, and Bookkeeping I, and II.

6. Additional equipment was added in the following departments: Science, Household Arts, and Business Education.

7. The lunchroom has been fully equipped with all steel folding tables and benches. This does away with the constant difficulty of torn clothing because of splintered wooden benches and loose nails.

8. Athletics continued under the supervision of Frank T. Waters. Further progress was made toward our goal of greater student participation. Mr. Waters' report appears separately.

9. The music department under Malcolm K. Hall had a very active and successful year. Mr. Hall's report appears separately.

## FUTURE NEEDS

The building's physical facilities continue to need careful and immediate attention. The following are some of the more urgent problems:

1. Replacement of ceilings in the boys' and girls' locker rooms, These are in extremely poor condition.

2. Continued repainting of classrooms according to schedule.

3. Installation of fluorescent lights in the five classrooms not now equipped.

4. Renovation and modernization of the lunchroom kitchen in order to save unnecessary labor in the preparation of high school lunches.

5. In the Household Arts department, since the cost is low, we should continue replacements and also re-arrangement of equipment with particular reference to the sinks and ranges, in accordance with the suggestions and requests of the Vocational Division of the Massachusetts Department of Education, which partially supports this program.

6. Further soundproofing of the music room which was started two years ago but has never been finished.

7. Replacement of outmoded light fixtures under the gym balcony with some kind of heavy duty protected types.

8. Immediate purchases of two electric floor cleaners and polishers to facilitate cleaning of the larger floor areas in the halls and gymnasium.

9. Continue the installation of electrical outlets in the classrooms, many of which are still without this convenience.

10. Continued purchases of more electric typewriters, and other office equipment.

11. Continued purchases of scientific laboratory equipment

with particular emphasis on the biological sciences and the senior science.

12. Complete repainting of the gymnasium which is badly in need of some attention.

13. Purchase of new draperies for the auditorium. The repainting was completed last year, but the draperies have not been replaced.

14. Replacement of the fixed seating with movable kinds in the classroom in anticipation of increased enrollments.

15. Installation of an incinerator either inside or outside the building.

## CONCLUSION

During Mr. Hempel's extended illness, we have striven to carry on during most of the year as he would have wished. I should like to express my deepest appreciation to the high school faculty for their very close cooperation at all times and for the increased concerted effort they have made because of the problems we have had to face during the year. We shall miss Mr. Hempel's daily visits and valued guidance.

## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

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We examined 450 pupils this year. The over-all picture is better, except for dental defects. All parents should realize that brushing teeth after each meal, a balanced diet, and regular visits to the dentist, are all important in bringing a child to maturity with good teeth.

Fifty parents were present at the examination. An increasing number had the examination done by a pediatrician. The nurse made 68 follow-up visits to insure understanding of conditions and speed correction. At the immunization clinics we gave the triple antigen to 26 pupils and booster shots to 48.

I feel that I should mention the deep regret that all in our school department feel in the loss of a most efficient, understanding and cooperative superintendent — Edward C. Hempel.

Respectfully submitted,

KIRKE L. ALEXANDER, M. D.



## SCHOOL NURSES' REPORT

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The 1954 School Health Program was undertaken by the school physician and nurses with the zeal and vigor that such a program should command. With the realization that the maintenance of good health among the pre-school and school groups is of paramount importance in the continuing of a thriving and healthy community, Doctor Alexander and the nurses conducted physical examinations of the pupils of the odd grades in all of the six schools in the community. Defects were noted by Doctor Alexander who initiated the remedial action necessary in each case. The nurses, acting under the supervision of Doctor Alexander, participated in an immunization clinic for pupils of grade one.

It is the sincere hope of the school nurses, that all parents will avail themselves of the services rendered by us. The school nurses undertake their tasks with the feeling that, as to school children, no case is too complicated nor is any case too insignificant.

### Immunization Clinic:

26 given 3 injections each of Triple Antigen  
48 given a single booster injection

### Physical Examination Report:

No. of children examined by school physician	450
No. of defects found	378
No. of children with one or more defects	277
No. of children without defects	261
No. of notices sent home to parents	202
No. of parents present for the examinations	50
No. of home visits made	68
No. of children examined by family physicians	138

### List of defects:

Nutrition	38	Feet and Spine	60
Posture	60	Other Defects	36
Teeth	122	Nail biters —	
Throat	35	Grade school children	85
Skin	5	High school children	32
Eyes	21		
Ears	1		117



No. of visits to the schools	402
No. of classroom inspections	213
No. of conferences:	
Superintendent	4
Principals	249
Teachers	393
Pupils	299
Parents	228
School Physician	5
State Vocational Rehabilitation Representative	4
No. of visits of pupils to nurses' office	297
No. of home visits	295
No. examined for ringworm	900
No. found	1
Vision testing	228¼ hours
Hearing testing	55¼ hours
Total of hours spent in school nursing	928½ hours

MRS. LOUISE EGAN, R.N.

MRS. HELEN JOHNSON, R.N.

## REPORT OF MUSIC DEPARTMENT

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To the School Committee of the Town of Orange

I have the following to report for the music department for the year of 1954.

### High School

The Senior band maintained a membership of seventy-four playing members and a corps of twirling and dancing majorettes numbering twenty-one students. High School Band activities included football game performances, Spring Concert, Western Massachusetts Music Festival, several out-of-town appearances for parades and celebrations, Christmas Open House Program, school assemblies and graduation.

The School was well represented in the All-State Concert at

Worcester in February, when several students performed in the All-State Band and Chorus. The band was conducted by Mr. Lee Christman, director of Boston University Band, and the chorus was under the leadership of Miss Mary Muldowny of Columbia University.

The annual Pops Concert was another very satisfying experience, when during Commencement week, we once again went to hear the Boston Pops Orchestra at Symphony Hall in Boston.

The Glee club, with a total membership of one-hundred and fifty members sang for the Christmas program and provided choral background for the Minstrel Show. A group of twenty-four boys and girls sang several numbers for the Cabaret night and an excellent choral group composed of eight girls, added much to the Christmas Nativity Scenes. The Minstrel Show still continues to be the most popular event, both from the viewpoint of attendance and students. More than two thirds of the student body take part in one way or another. The Cabaret night has grown in popularity with all band members assuming various obligations that go with the affair. The opportunity for many boys and girls to sing popular choruses is provided at this time.

### **Grade Schools**

#### **Instrumental**

Our Junior Band, composed of students from grades six, seven and eight, had a membership of sixty-eight players and a twirling corps of nineteen students. The fifth grade beginners' band numbered thirty boys and girls and the Gale-Brooks School Band (North Orange) maintained a commendable unit numbering thirty students, twenty-four players and six twirlers.

These grade school groups took part in the Western Mass. Music Festival, Spring Concert and Memorial Day Parade in Orange.

In addition, the combined Junior and Beginners' Band played for the Montague Celebration in June, and the Gale-Brooks band performed at one of the public programs in North Orange.

#### **Class Room Music**

For the first four months of the new year, we have placed the emphasis on singing, with such practical theory as note reading, note values, expression marks, time and key signatures, etc., considered as found in the assigned reading material. I have found much better singing schools as a result of "Keeping Them Sing-

ing." From January through June, we provided rhythmic activities, listening lessons, some dancing (including square dancing) and rhythm bands, in addition to regular singing assignments. We have provided some additional used pianos and new three-speed portable phonographs. We also added certain new music books and records. With the purchase of more of these items, this year, we can truly say we are giving our class room teachers, as well as the supervisor, good materials and equipment in all buildings. In closing, I wish to express sincere appreciation to the principals and teachers for their cooperation, and to the School Committee for their support.

I cannot adequately express my feelings of loss with the passing of Mr. Hempel who was always a source of guidance. He certainly helped me greatly in developing teaching methods and solving many problems pertinent to school work.

The courage he exemplified will always serve as a reservoir of strength to all of us who were close to him during the last two years of his life.

MALCOLM HALL

Supervisor of Music

## REPORT OF ART SUPERVISOR

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To the Superintendent of Schools  
Dear Sir:

I submit herewith my report as Supervisor of Art in the schools of Orange.

I am pleased to state that on my return, this last September, the students, as well as teachers, have shown great enthusiasm and interest in Art.

In the teaching of Art in the elementary grades a definite outline or course of study is followed. Many phases of artistic expression are covered during the year. Much emphasis is placed on the fundamentals such as, drawing, form, design, color, observation, construction work, and problems to develop imagination or self-expression.

In this program we keep the work planned so as not to over-emphasize one aspect of Art over another — such as too much self-expression does not leave time for development of skills and

the learning of fundamental and basic principles concerning the subject.

High School classes have been large in number both in Mechanical Drawing and Art. It is, of course, unfortunate that these classes are held in the same room at the same time. A better plan would be to have separate classes so that the instructor would not have to jump from one subject to another.

May I recommend that the art work in the 7th and 8th grades would be better handled if the art teacher could hold classes in the home-room of each of these grades with the home-room teacher present. This will enable the home-room teacher to know better what is expected to be accomplished in the work assigned.

In general we have progressed quite satisfactorily and hope our recommendations will be discussed and adjustments made.

I wish to thank all teachers and school board members for their cooperation and support. I hold dear the memory of our former superintendent who once quoted to me the phrase — "Art is long and life is short."

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN G. MANIATTY

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND ATHLETICS

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During the past year physical education and interscholastic athletics have been conducted both in the high school and the grammar school. We have provided the students of Orange with a well balanced program, designed to promote calisthenics, intramural games and interscholastic competition in football, basketball and baseball.

Under the capable leadership of Coach Fred Ellis, the grammar school teams which are made up of seventh and eighth grade boys have competed against other Franklin County teams.

The high school girls basketball and softball teams, coached by Miss Patricia Ryan played a full schedule of games against other area teams. Miss Ryan has now been succeeded as coach by Miss Frances Rich, who is currently starting the girls basketball season.

Our high school athletic program for boys consists of foot-

ball, basketball, and baseball. The football team, coached by myself and Henry R. Sanders, has recently joined the Inter-County Football League and competes against six other teams such as: Amherst, Arms, Ludlow, Ware, Murdock, and South Hadley. Other teams on our football schedule are Athol, Turners Falls and Palmer.

The boys' basketball team coached by Henry Sanders plays an independent schedule as does the baseball team which is coached by me.

A desirable addition to our staff would be a woman physical education instructor for both the high school and the grammar school.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK T. WATERS

### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT FINANCIAL SUMMARY — 1954

<b>Appropriation for General School Expense</b>		
including Vocational Household Arts		\$259366 00
<b>Total Appropriation</b>		<b>\$259366 00</b>
<b>Receipts: Commonwealth of Massachusetts:</b>		
General School Fund and State Aid,		
Chapter 70	\$46645 27	
Transportation, Chapter 679,		
Acts of 1947	8680 00	
Vocational School Tuition Reimbursement		
(New Salem, Worcester, Springfield,		
Athol, Greenfield)	1739 60	
Vocational School Transportation	853 65	
For Maintenance of Orange Household		
Arts Department	1599 87	
Department of Public Welfare,		
Tuition for State Wards	1014 62	
	60533 01	
Tuition — Erving, Warwick	8004 00	
Miscellaneous receipts	38 48	
	\$8042 48	
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>68575 49</b>
<b>Net cost of Schools in 1954</b>		<b>\$190790 51</b>



## APPROPRIATIONS REQUESTED FOR 1955

Appropriation for General School Budget (estimate) including Vocational Household Arts	\$259304 43
Estimate of Receipts: Comm. of Mass.	
General School Fund and State Aid, Chap. 70	46645 27
Transportation, Chap 679, Acts of 1947	8680 00
Vocational School Tuition, Reimbursement, (New Salem, Worcester, Springfield, Athol, Greenfield)	2152 08
Vocational School Transportation	1161 87
For Maintenance of Orange	
Household Arts Department	2068 31
Department of Public Welfare, Tuition for State Wards	1150 00
	<hr/> 61857 53
Tuition—Erving, Warwick	\$7920 00
Tuition—Individuals	150 00
Miscellaneous receipts and rentals	100 00
	<hr/> 8170 00
Total Receipts	70027 53
Net cost of schools or amount to be raised by taxation in 1955	\$189276 90



## IN MEMORIAM

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By the dispensation of Divine Providence, our Superintendent of Schools and close associate, Edward C. Hempel has been taken from us by death: therefore be it

Resolved, That we who survive him as members of the Orange School Committee hereby express our appreciation of him as a man of sterling integrity and deep personal worth.

Superintendent Hempel was a respected citizen who served his community and school system well, over a period of many years. He was a man of sound judgment whose decisions were respected by his fellow workers, and one whose death brings to us a sense of deep personal loss.

Be it further resolved: that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and placed upon the records of the Orange School Committee and also published in the next annual Report of the Town of Orange.

MRS. MARGARET MAGEE

MRS. EMMA WOODROW

J. PHILIP RIEG

WALES E. WILLARD

JOHN F. HART

DR. HAROLD R. MAHAR

## TEACHERS — ORANGE, MASSACHUSETTS

1954 — 1955

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### High School:

Leslie K. Faulkner, Principal, Bookkeeping II  
William Hammond, Asst. Principal, Physics, Chemistry, Fr.  
Orientation.  
Barbara Crosby (Miss), Bookkeeping, Geography, Arithmetic  
William Finnegan, Eur. History, U. S. History, Sociology  
Apolos Kalogeros, English, Spanish  
Ellen Musgrove (Miss), Typewriting, Shorthand  
Margaret Ryan (Mrs.), English  
Marion Warnick (Mrs.), Household Arts  
Frank T. Waters, Jr., Physical E. Coach for O.H.S.  
Richard Sine, Biology, General Science II  
Patricia Ryan (Miss), English  
Francis McSweeney, Algebra, P. and Solid Geom., Trig., Driver  
Education  
Henry Sanders, English  
Leonard Rice, Civics, Bus. Practice, Law, Gen. Math.  
Kathryn Costello (Miss), French, Latin, English  
Frances Rich (Miss), English, Civics, Girls' Basketball

### Central School:

Charles Witherell, Principal, Grade 8—Arithmetic, Hygiene  
Beulah Patterson (Miss), Grade 8—Social Studies, Science  
Margaret Parsons (Mrs.), Grade 8—English, Literature  
Raymond Waters, Grade 7—Social Studies, Hygiene  
Frederick Ellis, Grade 7,—Arithmetic, Science, Coach  
Jean Finnegan (Mrs.), Grade 7—English, Literature  
Beatrice Miner (Mrs.), Grade 6  
Barbara Kenney (Mrs.), Grade 2  
Ruth Davis (Mrs.), Grade 5  
Ethel Woodard (Mrs.), Grade 3  
Nora Cegiel (Mrs.), Grade 1

### Cheney School:

Mary McElroy, Principal (Miss), Grade 2  
Luella Whitehouse (Mrs.), Grade 2A  
Verlie Ufford (Miss), Grade 1A  
Ruth Songer (Mrs.), Grade 1

**Dexter Park School:**

Mary L. Roache, Principal (Miss), Grade 3  
Bessie Desseau (Mrs.), Grade 3A  
John E. Roche, Jr., Grade 6  
Edith Young (Mrs.), Grade 5  
Bessie M. Davis (Mrs.), Grade 4  
Mary Crowl (Mrs.), Grade 4A  
Pauline Smith (Miss) Grade 2  
Beatrice Dodds (Mrs.), Grade 1

**South School:**

Robert Gaudet, Principal, Grade 6  
Mary Burrill (Mrs.), Grade 5  
Helen Stevens (Miss), Grade 4  
Helen Hunt (Mrs.), Grade 3

**Gale-Brooks School:**

Olive Taylor Principal (Mrs.), Grades 6, 7, 8  
Mayme Luman, Grades 1, 2, 3  
Mary Zak (Mrs.), Grades 4, 5

**Supervisors:**

Stephen Maniatty, Art  
Malcolm Hall, Music  
William Rinehart, Penmanship

# MEMBERSHIP BY GRADE AND AGE, OCTOBER 1, 1954

School	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	P.G.	Tot.
Central	33	33	25		37	35	114*	88†						365
Dexter Park	32	33	48*	59*	34	31								237
Cheney	63*	70*												133
South			38	31	34	37								140
Gale-Brooks	12	12	8	7	9	13	12	7						80
Elementary														955
High									91	74	85	65		315
Totals	140	148	119	97	114	116	126	95	91	74	85	65		1270

\*Two Classes

†Three Classes

## PROGRAM OF GRADUATION EXERCISES

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THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH GRADUATION EXERCISES OF

THE ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL

High School Auditorium

Orange, Massachusetts, Thursday Evening, June 24, 1954

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### P R O G R A M

"GRADUATION MARCH" — Traditional

High School Orchestra, Malcolm K. Hall, Director

INVOCATION

Rev. Robert B. Perry

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

Fredericka Anne Harris

ADDRESS, "Making Dreams Come True"

Dr. Alvin C. Goddard

SELECTION, "Vincent Youman's Fantasy"

Arr. by Yoder

High School Orchestra

PRESENTATION OF PRO MERITO PINS

PRESENTATION OF SPECIAL AWARDS

Leslie K. Faulkner, Principal

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

Edward C. Hempel, Superintendent

Assisted by J. Philip Rieg, School Committee Member

BENEDICTION

Rev. Robert B. Perry

PROCESSIONAL, "Graduation March" — Traditional

Lake

High School Orchestra

## Honors and Awards

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### RENSSELAER MEDAL FOR EXCELLENCE IN MATHEMATICS

Joanne Shirley Masellis

### BAUSCH AND LOMB HONORARY SCIENCE AWARD

Marion Louise Whitehouse

### BECKER JUNIOR COLLEGE AWARD

Barbara Ann Risatti

### STUDENT COUNCIL AWARDS TO OUTSTANDING SENIORS

Marilyn Anne Duval

John Winfield McCoy

### D. A. R. GOOD CITIZEN AWARD

Fredericka Anne Harris

### HONORARY MEMBERSHIP IN THE ORANGE WOMAN'S CLUB

FOR HIGHEST SCHOLASTIC ATTAINMENT FOR

JUNIOR GIRLS

Marcia Ann Belsky

Joanne Mae Scott

### ELKS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Presented by Dr. Howard C. Adams

Joan Lillian Scott

### AMERICAN LEGION SCHOOL AWARDS

Dorothy Elizabeth Sauter

Mark Harold Stone

Presented by Roger W. Moore, Past Commander

Orange Post No. 172

### PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR FOUR YEARS

Marilyn Louise Drew

Robert Wallace McKenney



#### PRO MERITO MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1954

Marilyn Louise Drew	Mary Jane Moore
Marilyn Ann Duval	Barbara Ann Risatti
Fredericka Anne Harris	Dorothy Elizabeth Sauter
Elaine Marie Karlson	Joan Lillian Scott
Joanne Shirley Masellis	Marion Louise Whitehouse

#### PRO MERITO MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1955

Gail Elaine Anderson	Josephine Elsie Letourneau
Leroy Emil Barnes	Anne Louise Parmenter
Marcia Ann Belsky	Myrna Rice
Harriet Stuart Davis	Joanne Mae Scott
Marshall Paul Krupnick	David Emery Shepardson

#### CLASS OFFICERS

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President, Mark Harold Stone  
Vice President, Dorothy Elizabeth Sauter  
Secretary, Fredericka Anne Harris  
Treasurer, Lawrence Howard Day

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Class Motto — Mens Bona Regnum Possidet

Class Colors — Pink and Green

Class Flower — Pink Camellia

### 1954 Diploma List

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Shirley Norma Akers	Arthur Eugene Littlewood, Jr.
Ronald Leonard Anderson	Richard Alfred MacKnight
Lee Ernest Bergquist	Joanne Shirley Masellis
Roger Clinton Bergquist	Reta Ann Matthews
David Lynn Black	John Winfield McCoy
Donald Francis Bruno	Robert Wallace McKenney
Mary Edith Carey	Carole Barton Miller
Harold Earle Castine	Mary Jane Moore
Carol Ann Conrad	David Arlan Mullen
Sylvia Faithe Coolidge	Margaret Ann Nicewicz
Patricia Ellen Coy	Shirley Marilyn Parker
Lawrence Howard Day	Pamela Hodgdon Phillips
Sally Ann Dexter	Alice Brooks Rieg
Joan Viola DiNapoli	Barbara Ann Risatti
Marilyn Louise Drew	Noel Jackson Rivers
James Edward Dubrule	Shirley Marion Sampson
Marilyn Anne Duval	Dorothy Elizabeth Sauter
Margaret-Mary Eames	Charles Eugene Sawyer
Arthur Raymond Edwards	Wayne Elliotte Sawyer
Frank Owen Foster	Joan Lillian Scott
Glendon Henry Gale	Nancy Ann Sixt
David William Gormley	David Leigh Songer
Alice Anne Hallett	Nathan Boris Steinberg
Myrtle Ann Harper	Mark Harold Stone
Fredericka Anne Harris	Jeanne Lillian Towle
Arline Josie Haskins	Janice Clare Walker
Richard David Johnson	Roger Carl Wallen
Elaine Marie Karlson	Rodney Fay Whipple
Janet Elizabeth Knechtel	Julia Francis Whitaker
Winifred Ann Lee	Marion Louise Whitehouse
Robert Gordon Willard	

# Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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FRANKLIN, SS.

**To either of the Constables of the Town of ORANGE, in the County  
of Franklin:** GREETING.

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections, and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said ORANGE, on Monday the seventh day of March next; at 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To choose by ballot the following town officers: A Moderator for one year; one Selectman for three years; one Assessor for three years; Treasurer for three years; Tax Collector for three years; three Constables for one year; one tree warden for one year; one member of the Board of Health for three years; one member Board of Public Welfare for three years; one Trustee of Memorial Hall for three years; two members of the School Committee for three years; two Library Trustees for three years; two members Planning Board for three years; two Airport Commissioners for three years; one Airport Commissioner for two years; one Water Commissioner for three years; one Cemetery Commissioner for three years. All the above named officers are in accordance with the vote of the Town, to be chosen on one ballot. For these purposes the polls will be opened at eight o'clock A.M. and will be closed at 7:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 2. To hear any reports that may be presented, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will allow any accounts that may be presented, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1955 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will choose a director in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 128, Section 41 of the General Laws, in connection with County Aid to Agriculture, to serve one year, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see what the town will vote to do with the money received from the County known as the "Dog Fund", or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will vote to pay the tree warden the sum of \$25.00 per year as salary and the further sum of \$1.05 per hour for all time that he shall expend in actual labor in connection with his department, and which amount is included in the budget, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to sell or dispose of the property acquired by the town through Treasurer's Deeds on Tax Titles foreclosed by Commissioner's Affidavit of land of low value, or by foreclosure through the Land Court.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the town as provided by Section 108, of Chapter 41, General Laws to be made effective from January 1, 1954 as contained in the budget, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the year ensuing by taxation, from surplus revenue, from reserve funds or accounts, or otherwise.

# 1954 APPROPRIATION ANALYSIS AND 1955 BUDGET REQUESTS

		R T STM ATM F	— Refund — Transfer — Special Town Meeting — Annual Town Meeting — Forwarded	ACCOUNT	Appropriation and Fwd.	Trans. and Additions	Expended 1954	Requested 1955	Recom'd 1955
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:									
				Town Officers Bonds	\$ 637 00	\$ 12 25 T	\$ 649 25	\$ 637 00	\$ 637 00
				Selectmen's Salaries	900 00	75 00 R	900 00	900 00	900 00
				Selectmen's Expense	800 00		709 14	800 00	1400 00
				Accountant's Salary	2897 00		2897 00	2897 00	2897 00
				Accountant's Expense	100 00		98 72	100 00	100 00
				Treasurer's Salary	928 00		928 00	928 00	928 00
				Treasurer's Expense	343 00		311 89	563 50	349 00
				Foreclosure Expense	100 00		23 98	100 00	100 00
				Town and Tax Collector's Salary	2488 00		2488 00	2488 00	2488 00
				Tax Collector's Expense	653 00		594 66	593 00	593 00
				Town Collector's Expense	1968 00		1968 00	1968 00	1968 00
				Assessors' Salaries	1800 00		1800 00	1800 00	1800 00
				Assessors' Expense	3349 00		3349 00	3349 00	3349 00
				Town Clerk's Salary	1103 00		1103 00	1103 00	1103 00
				Town Clerk's Expense	355 00		352 51	360 00	360 00
				Election and Registration	1900 00	58 33 T	1958 33	1975 00	1375 00



Town Counsel	500 00	402 95	500 00	500 00
Planning Board	50 00	15 50	50 00	50 00
Town Hall Maintenance	5000 00	4585 00	5000 00	5000 00

Total General Government	\$25871 00	\$145 58	\$26111 50	\$25297 00
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# **PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:**

Police Dept.—Salaries and Wages	\$ 19078 00	\$ 116 98 T	\$19194 98	\$19876 00
Police Dept. Expense	880 00	442 40 T	1322 40	1030 00
Police Dept.—Uniforms	600 00		600 00	600 00
Mun. Car and Ambulance	2400 00	93 00 T	2491 59	2400 00
Fire Dept.—Salaries and Wages	11400 00	1268 64 T	12668 64	11700 00
Fire Dept—Expense and Equip.	3700 00		3079 02	3850 00
Fire Alarm Maintenance	1100 00		933 00	1400 00
Insurance Town Employees	3370 00		3369 88	3400 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	200 00		200 00	200 00
Moth Suppression	1200 00	7 15 T	1207 15	400 00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	800 00		800 00	800 00
Tree Warden	1800 00		1820 57	1800 00
Forest Fire Warden	800 00	20 57 T	1048 41	1000 00
Civil Defense	387 71 F	400 00 T	67 21	
Inspector of Wires	50 00		1320 74	
Total Protection of Persons and Property	\$47765 71	\$2348 74	\$48802 85	\$48456 00

# **HEALTH AND SANITATION:**

Board of Health Salaries	\$ 300 00	\$ 300 00	\$ 300 00	\$ 300 00
Board of Health Expense	6900 00	6103 26	6900 00	6900 00



Inspector of Animals	100 00	42 00	T	142 00	150 00	150 00
Inspector of Slaughtering	300 00	76 50	T	376 50	300 00	300 00
Visiting Nurse	4000 00			4000 00	5400 00	4800 00
Sewer Department	1260 00			1189 61	1260 00	1260 00
Poison Ivy Control	300 00			201 65	150 00	150 00
Total Health and Sanitation	\$13160 00	\$118 50		\$12313 02	\$14460 00	\$13860 00
<b>HIGHWAYS:</b>						
Municipal Building	\$ 1200 00	\$ 55 00	T	\$ 1236 03	\$ 1300 00	\$ 1300 00
Snow and Ice	11115 00			9840 86	11115 00	11115 00
Road Machinery Repair and Operation	7500 00	4 81	R	10228 44	7500 00	5500 00
Chapter 81	13700 00	21175 00	State	34875 00	13700 00	13700 00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1500 00	3000 00	St. & Co.	4500 00	1500 00	1500 00
Chapter 90 Construction:						
North Orange Road	1500 00	3500 00	St. & Co.	5000 00	1500 00	
Holtshire Road	2750 00	4750 00	St. & Co.	7500 00	2750 00	
Harrington Meadow Bridge	7000 00	13000 00	St. & Co.	13140 00		
South Main St. Drainage	12000 00	12000 00	State	19931 63		
Highway Department	9200 00	8 01	T	9418 01	9200 00	9200 00
Survey of New Streets	50 00	F	STM	37 50		
Flood Control	500 00	56 07	T	556 07		500 00
Street Lights	8000 00			7870 65	8000 00	8000 00
Public Drinking Fountain	150 00			15 25	50 00	50 00
Fence Viewers	50 00			50 00	50 00	50 00
Total Highways	\$76215 00	\$62558 89		\$124199 44	\$56665 00	\$50915 00

# **CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS:**

Old Age Assistance	\$ 90000 00	\$102 39 R	\$ 83792 25	\$ 90000 00	\$ 90000 00
Aid to Dependent Children	22000 00	181 20 R	20881 72	22000 00	22000 00
Board of Public Welfare Salaries	600 00		600 00	600 00	600 00
E. Franklin Welfare Dist. Adm.	4000 00		4000 00	4000 00	4000 00
Welfare Department	12000 00	29 45 R	7829 47	12000 00	12000 00
Disability Assistance	13000 00	180 22 R	11152 85	13000 00	13000 00
Memorial Hall Maintenance	1820 00		1499 84	1728 00	1827 00
Veterans' Benefits	19550 00		17790 38	19550 00	19550 00

## **Total Charities and**

Soldiers' Benefits \$162970 00 \$493 26 \$147546 51 \$162878 00 \$162977 00

# **SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES:**

School Dept.—Exp. of Adm.	\$ 8710 00		\$ 8374 53	\$ 10175 00	\$ 9775 00
School Dept.—Exp. of Instruction	173105 00	365 86 R	172801 44	177831 55	178265 00
School Dept.—Exp. of Operation	34800 00	1 14 R	34768 67	35100 00	35340 00
School Dept.—Auxiliary Agencies	27751 00	80 00 R	27558 38	31424 50	31424 00
School Dept.—New Equipment	1500 00		1458 43	1500 00	1500 00
High School Athletic Fund		2000 00 T	2000 00	2000 00	3000 00
Library Department	10257 00	1392 53 Dog Fnd.	11641 21	11460 00	10640 00
School Garden Exhibit	200 00		200 00	200 00	200 00
Adult Garden Exhibit	100 00		100 00	100 00	100 00
Total Schools and Libraries	\$256423 00	\$3839 53	\$258902 66	\$269791 05	\$270244 00

# **RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED:**

Parks and Playgrounds	\$ 3391 00	\$ 9 43 R	\$ 3009 60	\$ 2991 00	\$ 2991 00
Playground Instructor	250 00		250 00	250 00	250 00

<b>Life Guard and Swimming Instructor</b>	<b>450 00</b>		<b>441 30</b>	<b>450 00</b>	<b>450 00</b>
Airport Maintenance	2000 00	626 00 T	2507 04	3000 00	2500 00
Memorial Day	365 00		361 50	370 00	370 00
Care of Town Clock	150 00		150 00	150 00	66 50
Town Reports	1000 00		890 00	1000 00	1000 00
Band Concerts	700 00		700 00	700 00	700 00
Music North Orange	65 00		65 00	65 00	65 00
Co. F. Rifle Range Expense	100 00		100 00	100 00	100 00
Retired Pensions	1200 00		1200 00	1200 00	1200 00
Fish and Game Distribution	400 00		399 00	400 00	400 00
<b>Reserve Fund (from</b>					
Overlay Reserve)	3500 00		3309 90	5000 00	5000 00
Finance Committee Expense	200 00		69 35	200 00	100 00
<b>Total Recreation and</b>					
Unclassified	\$13771 00	\$635 43	\$13452 69	\$15876 00	\$15192 50
	—3500 00			—5000 00	—5000 00
	<b>\$10271 00</b>			<b>\$10876 00</b>	<b>\$10192 50</b>

## ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES:

Water Commissioners' Salaries	\$ 300 00	\$ 300 00	\$ 300 00	\$ 300 00
Water Dept.—Wages	12416 00	11718 48	13049 60	13049 00
Water Dept.—Expense	7705 00	7628 82	9130 00	8630 00
Water Dept.—Equipment	3000 00	2985 24	4550 00	4250 00
Cemetery Commissioners' Salaries	150 00	150 00	150 00	150 00

Cemetery Department	5300 00	\$1596 59 Int.	8215 61	5000 00	5000 00
Total Enterprises and Cemeteries	\$28871 00	\$1596 59	\$30998 15	\$32179 60	\$31379 00
<b>INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT:</b>					
Interest	\$ 3226 25	\$27 00 T	\$ 3253 25	\$ 2728 75	\$ 2978 75
Water Mains Extensions Loan	7000 00		7000 00	7000 00	
New Elementary School Loan	25000 00		25000 00	25000 00	36000 00
Ledge Excavation—New School Loan	2000 00		2000 00	2000 00	
Total Interest and Maturing Debt	\$37226 25	\$27 00	\$37253 25	\$36728 75	\$38978 75
GRAND TOTALS	\$661972 96	\$71763 52	\$695257 60	\$659965 64	\$652299 25

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from surplus revenue the amount of the State allotment for Chapter 81 maintenance with the provision that reimbursement from the State when received be restored to surplus revenue, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from surplus revenue the amount of State and County allotments for Chapter 90 Maintenance and Chapter 90 Construction with the provision that reimbursement from the State and County when received be restored to surplus revenue, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account to the Road Machinery Repair and Operation Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the town will vote to sell or trade the present police car and raise and appropriate from available funds, taxation or otherwise any sum of money for the purchase of a new car, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to accept as a gift appropriate from surplus revenue, available funds, by taxation or otherwise a sum of money to install fire escapes at Central School, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to accept as a gift from the Orange Chamber of Commerce, a tract or parcel of land in Athol to be used as the site location for the installation of the Radio Homing-Beacon for the Orange Airport, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will vote to extend its public water system from its present terminus on North Main Street approximately 850 feet northerly along North Main Street and to raise and appropriate from available funds, surplus revenue, taxation, borrow and issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, or otherwise, any sum of money for same, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate from surplus revenue, available funds, by taxation, or otherwise, a sum of money to extend the water system on Brook-



side Road to the Athol line for the purpose of connecting with the Athol main in a manner that will meet the approval of the Water Commissioners of both Towns, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate from surplus revenue, available funds, by taxation or otherwise a sum of money to purchase equipment for the civil defense department, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Mr. Roy W. French for the use of the parking space, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Eva Katz for the use of the parking space, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the town will vote to accept as a gift, two (2) sets of bleachers from interested townspeople, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the Town Way known as Mill Street from the southerly line of Vermont and Massachusetts Railway Company land, running southerly and easterly through Rodney Hunt Machine Company yard to a point near the former Sroga property, all according to a plan on file with the Planning Board and with reservations to the town, and all at no expense to the town, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the town will vote to sell a tract of land on the westerly side of South Main Street lying between the High School and the Post Office and being the same premises conveyed to the Town by deed of Permelia Butterfield Estate dated September 6, 1945 as recorded in Franklin County Registry of Deeds, book 878, page 351, for an amount of not less than \$1000.00 and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign and deliver any and all necessary instruments to complete the sale, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the town will vote to sell a Gar Wood 2 ton dump body minus power takeoff, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the town will vote to sell the bell and parts of the Town Clock salvaged from Mann Block fire, or take any action in relation thereto.



ARTICLE 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay outstanding bills for the year 1954, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate from surplus revenue, available funds, by taxation, or otherwise a sum of money to complete Chapter 90 Project No. 15239, (South Main Street), or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a committee of five members to study the town manager form of Government for the Town of Orange, said committee to report at the next annual town meeting, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the town will vote to transfer the unexpended balances remaining from inactive accounts back to Surplus Revenue, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Assessors to use from free cash a sum of money to reduce the tax rate in accordance with Section 7, Chapter 798, Acts and Resolves of 1951, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$100.00 from the Hamilton St. Sewer job to the Hayden St. Sewer job, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices in Orange and North Orange, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting and by publishing attested copies thereof, in the local newspapers, in said town, once at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 16th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five.

CARL PAOLETTI  
LEE SHIPMAN  
EDWARD F. HALEY

Selectmen of Orange

A true copy. ATTEST:

AXEL PETERSON, Constable of Orange.



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